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Irreconcilable Views:
Jewish Claim to Palestine

To the Editor of the
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SIR,—I write these lines with a view of correcting what appears to me a misrepresentation of the Jewish case *vis-à-vis* the Arabs in Palestine, and trust you will be good enough to grant the required space in your valued columns.

In your editorial on February 15 you said traces of defiance were evident in the abridged version of the Jewish statement made at the London conference. Allow me to say that such could not have been in the thought of the leaders concerned. During the past thirty months the Arabs used threat and violence to the Jews, and defiance to the Government, culminating into rebellion, whereas the Jews, all along, observed a pacific attitude and forbearance which have enlisted the world's admiration. Jews are not given to the use of violence and the vulgar form of bullying at the same time they must state their case precisely and in a firm tone unless they are out to play a loosing game.

Since when has Palestine been considered as an Arabland? Search history throughout since the country has been conquered by the Israelites in the 15th century B.C. and you will not find that it has been called by any other name than the land of Israel; nor were the Arabs native inhabitants of the Holy Land even before that date. The latter's first appearance in Palestine was in the 7th century A.D. under the leadership of Omar, but a few centuries later the country was reconquered by the crusaders and others, eventually falling in to the hands of the Turks, and then of the British. The Hebrews on the other hand, as stated above, had almost uninterrupted occupation of the land for 1500 years, and a partial residence throughout the Christian era. In virtue of this, Palestine was always considered a Jewish centre, spiritually and politically, and it will ever remain so. The Holy Land is bound to Jewish life by every sentimental and ideal tie. It had been the home of the Bible, and the source of origin of both Jewish and Christian sacred writings. It was there that the Psalmists sung their psalms, and the prophets unburdened their divine messages. Every corner in the land, mountains and dales, forests and caves, seas and rivers, bear Jewish names, and are stamped with Jewish tradition. What national traits has the Arab in the land, what claim can he lay to it, barring the accident of birth and residence, that would entitle him to claim it as his own? He has never been counted as a native of the soil in the sense the Jews were, past and present. The Jewish tenure of life in Palestine was 4 to 1 to that of the Arab's, and ever since the Romans had conquered the land, the Jews have never relinquished their national right to it. The fact of their not having been allowed to live there freely during the past centuries, does not exclude them from the right of ownership; they still hold it as their sacred inheritance, and cherish it as such.

In the same article you have discountenanced the idea of a Jewish State. What construction would you suggest for the wording "National home for the Jews in Palestine," embodied in the Balfour Declaration, if not a Jewish State? Just so. What other stipulations, made in the said declaration, were to protect non Jews' civil and religious rights only. Political rights were not enunciated. May I ask how these civil and religious rights were to be prejudiced by the grant to the Jews of a Jewish State, and how does the latter stand separate from a Jewish national home?

From its very inception in 1918, the Jewish immigration in Palestine was never carried on an unlimited scale, as you make it; on the contrary it was worked on a very conservative measure and gradually dwindled to negligible quantities; the 1937 total number hardly exceeded 7,000 which, in itself, was not in line with the spirit of the intended Balfour scheme. In pre-war days the Jewish inhabitants, in Jerusalem alone, were of the 90,000 mark, and after twenty years of rehabilitation—1918-1938—their number came to 350,000, that is to say, the total immigration during the said twenty years amounted to only 250,000, or 12,500 a year.

No one does hope that Palestine can absorb all the Jews in the world, nor is there any particular need for such a measure at the moment. We are now concerned only with those Jews in Germany and Central Europe who are in daily agony and need immediate relief. But if Palestine is incapable of taking all the Jews in the world, there is no reason why it should close its doors to those whom it can take in.

How were the Arabs being dispossessed by the immigrants? If they did not wish to sell off, who could have forced them? The plea of dispossession is a farce and has no real soundness. It was a catch concocted by the Arab leaders with a view to enlist the world's sympathy, and it is surprising how that those responsible for the government of the Holy Land should have accepted it as a base for discussion. It is none the less surprising that statesmen, and men who are looked upon as leaders of thought, should have allowed themselves to be led into the belief that the Arabs were exploited and dispossessed by the Jews in Palestine. A little study of the situation would clearly show that the Arabs' complaint is not based on reason, that Palestine is not an Arab State, that the latter are not mulcted and exploited by the Jews, that any land sold to the latter was done by mutual consent, and on cash payments and that no sales were done by force or coercion.

On the face of it, it appears that the Arab does not know his own mind. His land, as far as he is concerned, is not much of a material worth to him, because he cannot cultivate it on present-day lines to make it a paying concern. He has got to live, and as he hasn't got the cash, he may have to sell. He cannot have it both ways, the cash and the land. He can have either the one or the other, and no force. But certainly he has not the least cause for complaint.

WE ARE YET TO LEARN.

Shanghai, Feb. 21.

Repatriation Pay:
A Mystery Which Remains

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—The report of the Special Committee is likely to go down in history as the document that perpetuated the Staff Economy Report and preserved it from the customary fate of many similar reports that sought to regulate the acts and usages of the S.M.C.—the fate of being regarded as just a "scrap of paper."

Before the documents in the case are sent to file, it seems to me very necessary that the Council declare its policy and clear up the mystery that surrounds what is known as Repatriation Pay.

The Special Committee in its report has noted the existence of this mystery in these words: "Although the Repatriation Pay was shown in the Staff Economy Report as on one-seventh of the new Basic Pay, the actual adjustment was on one-third of the basic pay as illustrated in Appendix B of that report." But this being beyond the scope of the terms of reference, the Special Committee was not able to make a recommendation.

The fact is that the Staff Economy Committee declared its unmistakable intention by indicating in four different places in the report, that Repatriation Pay shall be reduced and specifically stating that it shall be "one-seventh," yet by a curious miscalculation, the table in Appendix B still gives effect to the old "one-third" of the basic pay. This means that all payments since July, 1937, under Repatriation Pay, have been 133 per cent. in excess of the certain intent of the Staff Economy Committee.

Another fact which adds to the suspicion as to the circumstances under which the table in Appendix B was prepared is that when the dollar reaches the value of 1/8d. Repatriation Pay is to be reduced by 65 per cent. This means a reduction to 7d. instead of to the basic rate 1/2⅝d. While there seems no immediate prospect of the dollar reaching 1/8d. yet this obvious absurdity should now be officially noticed, and the necessary correction made, as it is quite certain that Council employees will demand its correction just as soon as the dollar begins to appreciate. Just because the errors have not previously been officially detected is no reason why they should be permitted to remain uncorrected.

On February 10, I drew the attention of the Council to this anomalous situation, and received an official reply that it was a matter for the annual meeting of ratepayers. This was before the Special Committee had issued its report, and I am hopeful that the situation is now changed and that official action can voluntarily be taken. I am sure it will be if a sufficient number of ratepayers continue to interest themselves in the matter.

If it should be necessary to bring it before the annual meeting of ratepayers, I propose that the inquiry shall have a wider scope and shall include such matters as the recent "inadvertent" destruction of 500,000 doses of smallpox vaccine belonging to the Council, having a market value of $70,000. There can be no misunderstanding about this little incident, as I have had it confirmed from several sources. Perhaps a loss of $70,000 is a matter that is beneath the official notice of the Council, but there is considerable evidence that similar items of what must be termed gross mismanagement have occurred in several departments of the Council, and should call for strict investigation.

ROBERT L. STEWART,
Secretary pro tem.
S. M. C. Ratepayers
Committee of Investigation.

Shanghai, Feb. 21.

The Buses:
A Chapter of Complaints

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—This letter is to add yet another protest to the many already registered against the treatment of the travelling public by the Bus Co.

Yesterday I was one of the few who boarded No. 61 bus of the No. 1 Route at the Palace Hotel. There were two other No. 1's rolling up to the stopping place, and the conductor of our No. 1 evidently thought that we ought to wait for those. He was bawling at people to hurry and began shutting the door on the top of the last passenger to mount up.

We filled up en route with a crowd of holidaymakers and when we got to St. George's there was another bawling out and everybody tumbled out of that bus with breakneck speed as though the devil was after them and ran towards the hinder buses which were then making their way to the stop and fought their way on board together with the crowd already waiting. No. 61 careered away untrammelled up Yu Yuen Road. Evidently it was "late."

This yanking passengers out of a bus before they have been carried to their destination simply because a bus is behind schedule seems to me a most impudent disregard of the Bus Co.'s duty to the public. It happens quite frequently—in all kinds of weather.

If the bus is behind time through no fault of its own, it is absurd to make it—what obviously it is, judged by the behaviour of the bus personnel—a punishable offence. If the bus is late through the fault of the bus personnel, it is inexcusable that the public should be made to suffer.

And while I am on the subject of the buses I will also protest against being poked with a dirty hand when the conductor wants to take my ticket. With a clean hand it would be bad enough, but, as conductors go, it is adding injury to insult.

Another thing—why do they swill the buses down with water so that on a perfectly dry morning one mounts into a bus down the stairs of which the water is dripping, while the upper deck looks as though it had been through a heavy thunderstorm? By the time a passenger reaches the Bund her feet are wet, and her skirts and coat are covered with mud in going down the stairs.

LADY RATEPAYER.

Shanghai, Feb. 21.

Spanish Reprisals:
Mercy for the Deserving?

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Britain insists on mercy for Spanish republicans and the press reports all tend to demonstrate that the refusal of General Franco to agree to such request is the very obstacle to the formal recognition of the Burgo's government by Franco and Britain.

And this is absolutely untrue, as being the only reason for the non-recognition. There are other causes to account for it. And such are the natural and unquestionable sympathy of the Spanish people towards the nations that have helped them throughout the whole of the struggle, which sympathy in case of a European conflict would materialize in a whole-hearted alliance.

General Franco has clearly and repeatedly shown his mercy for the Spanish republicans and I challenge anyone to prove or cite a single case to the contrary. But one thing is mercy and another weakness. And weakness would be to leave unexpurgated those parts of Spain that have been under the Communists' control. To let the seeds of the anarchy undisturbed by a miscalled humanitarianism would be a proof of weakness.

Mercy for those who deserve it. Those whose hands have been stained with innocent blood will be punished with all severity. This is what Franco has been doing and what he will continue to do. And in Spain, as everywhere, this is called justice.

NO PRIEST.

Shanghai, Feb. 21.

BY SAPAJOU

Mr. Luigi de Luca

whose opera "The Willow" is making its debut tonight at the Lyceum.

Song Found:
A Poet's Lone Effort

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—I have not seen the film "Dawn Patrol," but the song which is sung in it, and which PER ARDUA AD ASTRA was asking about in your yesterday's issue, sounds as though it was the one and only poem written by a man called Bartholomew Dowling. It was called "The Revel: Time of the Famine and Plague in India." Two of its verses go:—

We meet neath the sounding rafter,
And the walls around are bare;
As they shout back our peals of laughter
It seems that the dead are there.
Ho! stand to your glasses steady!
'Tis all we have left to prize.
A cup to the dead already,—
Hurrah for the next that dies!

Who dreads to the dust returning?
Who shrinks from the sable shore,
Where the high and haughty yearning
Of the soul can sting no more?
Ho! stand etc.

Bartholomew Dowling died at the age of 40 in 1863, and in 1879 people were still asking who was the author of the poem and making wrong attributions. It looks as though he knew India.

QUATRAIN.

Shanghai, Feb. 21.

ARRANGEMENTS have now been completed between the Japanese and the various pro-Japanese government authorities to make an energetic push to increase the sales of Japanese products and manufactured goods in the Central, Southern and Eastern occupied areas, says the "Wen Wei Pao." Among the Japanese goods are included canned food products, needlework, celluloid articles, glassware, cutlery, headware, bicycles and bicycle accessories, etc.

New York's Chinatown Collects U.S. $40,000

Patriotic Demonstration Wins American Aid

New York, Feb. 19.

Chinatown here today greeted the Chinese lunar new year with the greatest demonstration in local history and also collected a sum of U.S.$40,000 for the purchase of ambulances for Chinese soldiers. Parading through the streets in fancy costumes and shooting off hundreds of firecrackers in traditional manner, the Chinese participants treated a crowd of 20,000 to an inspiring display of patriotism. Chinese and Americans alike contributed willingly to the well-known Lion, representing the spirit of United China. At least U.S.$40,000 in cash was contributed and this sum will be used for starting a fund to purchase 100 modern ambulances for the Chinese army.—United Press.

French to Build Planes In Indo-China

Paris, Feb. 20.

Intensification of French efforts to strengthen defences in Indo-China following Japan's occupation of Hainan Island were noted in Government circles here today.

The Minister of Colonies, M. Georges Mandel, was reported to be negotiating with an aircraft motor company for the construction of a factory in Indo-China with a monthly capacity of 45 motors. M. Mandel, it was understood, plans to use native labour in Indo-China in building a considerable number of planes.—United Press.

Recruits for R.A.F. Increasing

London, Feb. 21.

No less than 857 recruits joined the Royal Air Force last week against 330 in the corresponding week last year. The total acceptance of pilots, observers, airmen and boys since April 1, 1938, has now reached 19,488 compared with 13,827 for the corresponding period last year.—Wireless through Reuter.

Afforestation Plan in North China

Peiping, Feb. 20.

The North China Bureau of the South Manchuria Railway has decided to start in March a 30-year re-afforestation plan along the various railways in North China, according to the Chinese press.

Eighteen different kinds of young trees will be distributed to villagers living along the railways who will plant them under proper supervision.—Reuter.

Seventy Years Ago

FROM THE "NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS" OF FEBRUARY 22, 1869

We have been all of us so long out here that we have "in our viciousness grown hard," and begun to regard the putting on of an old dress coat, after hard work all day in a homely old jacket, as a perfectly natural act. But it seems to have gone out at home; or if we may judge from the writer before us [a correspondent to the London "Standard"] to be a custom entirely restricted to the members of the Upper House. We are told that a merchant's clerk "feels, as he puts on his evening coat, like the eldest son of a peer." This wants explanation. Are dress coats restricted to the *eldest* sons of peers by any recent exercise of tyranny? Did the late Ministry render themselves odious by passing restrictive and obnoxious sumptuary laws, of which we have not heard? If so, we are happy in China when the permission to dine in a dress coat is still given to the commoner.

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London Press Club Enlargement

Mr. Winston Churchill on Duties and Liberties of Journalists

By O. M. Green
(Editor "North-China Daily News," 1911-1930)

London, Jan. 30.

The enlargement and redecoration of the Press Club may not mean much to the world at large, for which journalists (like actors and barbers in China) are the sort of persons who go to the back door. But for nearly 1,000 of those persons it means a great deal, and the luncheon in celebration of the re-opening, with Mr. Winston Churchill and the Lord Mayor as guests, was booked up weeks ahead.

The Press Club was founded 56 years ago by George Augustus Sala, the same who invented that saying of Dr. Johnson's to put on the cover of Longman's Magazine (as apocryphal as the grease spot on the panelling of the Cheshire Cheese left by the Doctor's wig) "Sir, let us take a walk down Fleet Street." In those days the club met in a place called Fagin's Kitchen, a libel indeed on its members. Very soon such men as the present Lord Chief Justice, then writing leaders for the extinct "Morning Leader" were joining; and before long the club moved to a house in Wine Office Court where I first knew it in 1905.

House Never Closed

It was a dingy house, never closed from year's end to year's end, and I should think never cleaned. Yet it possessed a charm unequalled by any club I have ever known, even by the present palatial premises in Salisbury Square (the largest Press Club with the best library in the world). In journalism there is always someone working, someone idling. Cards were not much played but snooker pool went on all round the clock, as indeed it does still. It is a noble game, the fountain of goodfellowship, with which above all else the murky atmosphere of the Press Club was redolent.

Like the house, we were in some ways a dingy lot. Many of us had fought up from the humblest beginnings in the provinces. Some of us never knew what it was to draw a full pay envelope at the end of the week, having discounted most of it by imprudent advances. There was one little gang whose ideal day's work was, say, the luncheon at the opening of a new hotel or exhibition, when they could sit through the afternoon smoking fat cigars, and return to the office to write "two sticks" (say 30 lines) about the event.

Great Men in the Club

But there were great men among us—G. W. Steevens, never surpassed as a war correspondent, and the beloved Charlie Hands of the "Daily Mail"; Knight of the "Morning Post"; S. L. Hughes the incomparable humorist of the "Morning Leader"; and others only a little below them. And if we were obscure, we had a very high idea of what can and cannot be done in print and the newspapers produced were decidedly stately and scrupulous. Nowadays the "old school tie" flourishes from one end of Fleet Street to the other and for the rebuilding of the Press Club its members could afford to take up a block of debentures. Yet there are things in modern papers that would have scandalized the dusty creatures of Wine Office Court. It is a plain-spoken age.

Withal one may feel, without too much flattering unction of the soul, that Mr. Winston Churchill's praises of British journalism are well deserved. Sometimes the personal gossip, descendant of T. P. O'Connor's long ago column "Mainly About People" in the "Star" the first of its kind, may be a little too intimate, sometimes a reporter hot on a crime story may overstep the bounds of good taste. But Mr. Churchill did not exaggerate when he dwelt on the high sense of responsibility of British newspapers. Any journalist, if he stops to think will recognize that that saving grace is so continually and watchfully at work that its operations almost pass unnoticed.

Freedom of the Press

Mr. Churchill also spoke of the freedom of the British Press, contrasting it with the tightly controlled papers of "totalitarian countries," turned either this way or that way like a hose, either pouring water on a conflagration or pouring petroleum on flames which had been already ignited." But such control, and the unlimited power which exerts it, invite their own destruction. "You cannot fool all the people all the time," is as true of newspapers as of dictatorships. It is little more than 100 years since the first John Walter was paying heavy fines and even going to prison for exposing officialdom and permanent departments, which always have hated newspapers and, as Mr. Churchill recalled, have even abused the Official Secrets Act to stop their voices. So that the freedom finally won by the Press about the middle of last century is one of the nation's greatest safeguards against a bureaucracy which more and more strives to be the people's master.

But of course the Press Club never talks about things like that.

Japanese Spend More On Entertainment

Tokyo, Feb. 19

Despite official discouragement of levity and reckless living while fighting is going on in China, Tokyo citizens are spending more than ever on light entertainment, according to the Metropolitan Police Board. The boom is credited to the prosperity of war industries.

A survey covering the first eleven months of 1938, based on admission tickets sold by 413 establishments, including movie houses, theatres and sport arenas, shows that cinemas drew the most patrons, a total of 6,208,924, or approximately 40 per cent. more than in the corresponding period of the year before.

Stage plays, which had shown a tendency to decline in popularity, attracted 755,432 patrons, nearly 10 per cent. more than the year before. Other theatrical and musical events drew 550,008 patrons during 1938 up to the end of November, more by 130,220 than during 1937.

Although more sumo wrestling "fans" turned out last year than usual athletic events and other miscellaneous recreational entertainments proved less popular than before. This category, which had a total attendance of 942,872, was the only one in which a decrease was shown.—Reuter.

U.S. Ambassador Sees Mr. Cordell Hull

Mr. Nelson T. Johnson, American Ambassador to China, pictured as he conversed with the U.S. Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, in Washington. Mr. Johnson returned to the United States to make a special report on conditions in China and the Sino-Japanese hostilities.

Japan's National System

Mr. S. Susuki Makes Bold Speech in Japanese Diet Demands any Changes be Done Constitutionally

By Percy Whiteing
"N.C.D.N." Special Correspondent in Japan

Tokyo, Feb. 14.

A BOLD speech demanding that any changes to be made in Japan's national system shall be done constitutionally, that is, with the consent of the Diet, was delivered in the House of Representatives just before it passed the general 1939-40 budget for Y. 3,694,000,000, by Mr. Shogo Suzuki of the Kokumin Domei, one of the smaller political parties, yesterday.

He also demanded that the new Prime Minister, Dr. Baron Hiranuma, should administer the government as its real head, that is, constitutionally and on his own responsibility, or else, if he is acting at the behest of some other element, he should resign to make way for that element actually to take charge of the government.

"The War Minister (Lieut.-General Itagaki) has stated that now when East Asia is in process of long-term reconstruction, there is need to carry out renovation of the various domestic systems (in Japan)," said Mr. Suzuki, "and the question at issue is the extent to which they should be renovated.

"The War Minister has announced that he has no intention whatever of effecting any radical or sudden reforms. The Navy Minister (Admiral Yonai) has stated that there is room for reform of the existing economic structure of our country, but that any reforms to be undertaken must necessarily be 'evolutionary', not 'revolutionary', in character.

"Whether such reforms are in fact radical, or revolutionary, or evolutionary, is a matter which will be viewed from different angles by different people according to how they appraise the situation and their own circumstances. And different people will fix differently the dividing line separating evolutionary reform from revolutionary reform.

Mobilization Law

"The only political method for determining that dividing line is to conduct all affairs of state through the medium of the Imperial Diet. Under the system of constitutional politics, all reforms which are carried out with the approval of the Diet, regardless of how radical they seem outwardly, are not revolutionary in reality.

"Looking at the matter in the spirit of constitutional politics, arbitrary acts by bureaucrats, I have no doubt, constitute revolutionary acts. Herein lies the cause for scathing public criticism now being made of bureaucrats as being arbitrary in action. The view prevails in some circles that the aims of national reform can be attained by general invocation of the National General Mobilization Law.

"But it must be urged that all legislative measures for national reform and renovation must in every case be presented to the Diet and enforced only after its consent has been obtained—though some affairs of state of a nature inappropriate for presentation to the Diet may be considered proper exceptions.

Emergency Sessions

"I believe that for this purpose the government can convoke emergency sessions of the Diet however frequently. To carry out national reform through general invocation of the general mobilization law is easy, but the enforcement of such reforms with the Diet's sanction might be a different story.

"However, I anticipate that Baron Hiranuma, who long has been a stout champion of constitutional politics, will not choose the first procedure but will submit to the Diet all measures for reforms that may be considered imperative to enable the fullest manifestation of the national power, thereby upholding the principle of the entire nation assisting the Emperor in the conduct of affairs of state.

"Our people, whose minds are impregnated with materialistic ideas, may not easily reinvigorate their righteous convictions merely by listening to far-seeing spiritual speeches by the Prime Minister. He should, therefore, uphold the spirit of constitutional politics in carrying out all policies.

People's Patriotism

"It is often said that the major groups in the Diet favour keeping things as they are and might not approve fundamental economic and industrial reforms. But it should be recalled that in fact the Diet has already passed—at its last session—the National General Mobilization Law and the great Electric Power Control Law, thus indicating the possibility that the pressure of the emergency and the patriotism of the people have combined to induce the nation to approve, through the Diet, important plans for reform which may be imperative for execution of the national policies.

"Moreover, I wish to point out that the political parties, which are regarded as wanting maintenance of the status quo, have come to advance the rather surprising opinion of favouring non-holding of any specie reserve. Thus, the political parties, as well as the times, have changed greatly. I earnestly hope that Baron Hiranuma, not minding outward symptoms of the Diet, will courageously forge ahead toward realization of what he has in view regarding politics in his task to assist the Emperor.

"A movement for general national spiritual mobilization cannot achieve anything merely by lectures or pamphlets. As Baron Hiranuma is the central figure in the movement, what is most essential is, not to try to teach the public, but to ensure strict official discipline on the part of the government. I say this, not on account of individual violations or negligence of discipline, but because rectification of official discipline will make clearly manifest the pivot of the nation.

Assisting the Emperor

"In the political structure we have in this country today, the Prime Minister must constantly remind himself that, apart from matters related to the prerogatives of supreme command of the Emperor, he (the Prime Minister) is the centre of all national administration and that through him only can the people assist the Emperor in the conduct of affairs of state; that his is a position of great authority.

"It often happens, however, that this position of authority is seen by the people to be overshadowed by some other force. It is seen that the Prime Minister or Cabinet is not the centre of national administration but is being moved about by some other force, outside the cabinet. I have no doubt that it is part of the great duty of assisting the Emperor in the conduct of state affairs for a prime minister to resign should he find himself in a position where he is being moved or dragged about by some force outside the cabinet, and to hand over the cabinet to the force that has attempted to drag the cabinet about.

Nearly Ideal

"The political practice of our country, the formation of our nation, at the time of the China-Japan War (1894-95) was nearly ideal. That which demands the greatest effort on the part of the nation today, that is, the most important duty of the Prime Minister, Baron Hiranuma, is to set up the true shape of the national life, the central task of politics, for the people to see. In this connection, I see much meaning in the following statement by the Navy Minister, Admiral Yonai, before a budget sub-committee:

"'The Navy has its own view, from its angle of national defence in the restricted sense. But when it comes to the matter of administering the whole nation, it is not within the province of the Army or Navy independently to say that this or that should be so. The government as a whole should consider the various circumstances at home and in international relations. It is far from the Navy's intention to claim, in a loud voice, that its own view is this or that.'

"This clearly stated the principle that every official, civil or military shall attend to none but his own duties. The government is emphasizing the national spirit, but national spirit can be intensified among the people only through those in high authority keeping each to his own duty and not breaking bounds. The is particularly true in view of our national characteristic that it is not for those below to make demands on those higher up, but for those above to set an example to those below. Moreover, instruction cannot be given by mere words but must be by examples set in person. Unless this is done no spiritual movement suited to our national life can be set in motion.

"For instance, Baron Hiranuma should call together our big financial leaders and in heart-to-heart talk with them ask for sacrifices in the service of the nation; and these leaders should, in turn, set to work in their industries without regard to profit, joyously for the sake of their country. This would be far better than holding a million lecture meetings. "The government should undertake the general national spiritual mobilization movement in that spirit."

Remilitarization of Aaland Islands

Helsinki, Feb. 19.

Following the example of Great Britain, Latvia and Estonia, two other countries, Poland and Denmark, have agreed to the proposals made by Finland and Sweden for defensive remilitarization of the Aaland Islands, at the entrance to the Gulf of Bothnia. The replies of Germany and France are expected in a few days.—Reuter.

China Still Building Her Railways

Three Southern Provinces To Be Linked by Project

Special to the "N.C.D.N."

Kweiyang, Kwei., Jan. 31.

On a recent trip to a country place south of this city, I found a lot of country folk levelling a stretch of what seemed to be a new motor road, but on my return trip I saw a stone at one spot indicating that it is to be the railway station for the contemplated Szechuen-Kweichow-Kwangsi Railway. It seems a bold project in view of what most people will probably regard as the uncertainty of future developments of the present conflict, and I can but admire the determination of the Government to go ahead with their reforms and developments of public works. May the faith in China's future be fully justified by events!

And it is good to see too how the Government is opening up new motor roads even in the less traversed parts of the province. Every now and again the local paper announce some new road to be built. Such public spirit is worthy of success. The one fly in the ointment is that the farmers are made to work with little or no pay; indeed, in some cases at any rate, I hear of instances where the men are required to pay out money as well as give labour I suppose this is to be explained by the fact that so often those with control over others are out to make something for themselves while those so imposed on, dare not complain openly least they get into trouble instead of having things put right.

It looks as if some folks find it worth while to make use of the not unnatural fear of "traitors" being charged against them by others to get money which they may or may not have deserved; one such case came to my notice not long ago, in which a night watchman who parades a section of the street beating a gong to scare away thieves, asking for payment from a man renting part of a house, on being refused threatened to accuse him as a spy, *han chien*, whereupon the money was paid forthwith!

Soviet-Polish Trade Agreement Signed

Moscow, Feb. 19.

The Soviet and Poland today signed a trade agreement.—Reuter.

Lord Gort Returns from Near East Tour

London, Feb. 18.

Viscount Gort, V.C., Chief of the Imperial General Staff, arrived at Croydon by air from Paris this evening on the conclusion of his visit to Egypt and Palestine. He was met at the aerodrome by his daughter, the Hon. Jacqueline Vereker. Viscount Gort, who served with the Shanghai Defence Force in 1927-28, said he could make no statement at the present time, but he could say that his journey had been satisfactory and that he was extremely pleased with the results.—Reuter.

Clipper Schedules

Manila, Feb. 21.

Pan-American Airways' Philippine Clipper was delayed at Wake Island by poor weather yesterday and is expected to reach Guam today and Manila on Wednesday. The Philippine Clipper will take off for Hongkong on Thursday, returning here the following day and taking off for Alameda, Calif., at 2. a.m. Sunday. The China Clipper is now at Midway Island en route to Alameda and is to leave Alameda on the return trip to Manila on March 1 and arrive here March 8.

The new 72-passenger Boeing Clipper leaves for Manila from Alameda on her maiden flight tomorrow and is expected to arrive here on February 28.—United Press.

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THE SPORTS PAGE

Shanghai Paper Hunt Club's Annual Race Meeting

Good Crowd Witnesses Closing of Club's Season; Picturesque Sight as Red-Coated Riders Race

By "The Chaser"

THE Annual Race Meeting of the Shanghai Paper Hunt Club was held yesterday and an unusually good crowd turned out to see the races.

The meeting may be regarded by two different views. First, it may be regarded as the closing of the hunt season and second, as the initial meeting of the spring season. The weather was superb with the bright sunshine during the whole afternoon. Punters had more or less a rich harvest with favourites and well fancied ponies in the money in most of the races.

The big race of the day—the Club Challenge—fell to Mr. "Dod" Pollock's Keep Off, who with John Sparke in the saddle defeated a field of nine to win by a neck from Steve Brodie, while Going Slow took third place a length away.

Spectators were treated to a very picturesque sight when the ponies went to the course with their riders in colourful red coats, and during the race the sight of the galloping ponies with their riders bordered magnificence.

The field got off together and were well bunched all the way with the exception of Baby Harp and Pageant Morn who trailed the field after three quarters of a mile. White Wine, Glen Muick and Cinema Morn flew over Grand Stand Wall as one, while the rest followed on their heels. Steve Brodie took the lead after Probst Hanbury Water jump and took Grand Stand Wall two lengths ahead of the field. Keep Off and Going Slow closed up on him soon after the Loong-fei Gate while White Wine moved into position. Going Slow took the lead from Probst Hanbury Water Jump with Keep Off two lengths away and Steve Brodie just behind. Going Slow and Keep Off took Morriss' Water Jump together and from there the latter forced ahead to go on and win. Steve Brodie came with a rush but failed by a neck. John Sparke was the leading rider of the day and rode four winners, including the Challenge Cup.

Thrilling First Race

Dr. W. R. Johnston and R. Morgan thrilled the public with a close finish in the first race. Dr. Johnston on Zafiro eventually got the verdict of a head. Oomra and The Great Macdermott did all the running until the Monument where Zafiro forged into the lead. Zafiro bored out as soon as he entered the straight but maintained his lead. Off Chance came with a spurt after rounding the bend but could not overtake Zafiro. Hungjao was third two lengths away. "Jorrocks" this year turned out to be quite an amusing event with very poor jumping. The only pony that was jumping was San Carlo who won the race by many lengths. Dr. Johnston's two starters got no further than the second jump. Steel King threw Morgan and White Patches refused to even look at the jump. Snowlight started last and went full bat at the first jump and took it practically standing. Malenki ran out on Probst Hanbury. But Alec White turned him round and was able to beat Snowlight for second by many lengths.

The third race—the Stewards Cup—produced another thrilling finish which resulted in dead heat between Walnut and Crockett. Prettylight was third many lengths away.

Popular Win for Phantom

C. S. Franklin scored a popular win on his pony Phantom in the Beef Stakes and took the measure of the favourite Siboar by many lengths while the only other entrant, Little Cossack, was third many lengths away. Phantom shot into the lead the moment the flag dropped and increased his lead from the Monument and when the last quarter was reached it was a certainty for him.

The "Z" class Champions brought out a field of five breedy looking animals of which Noknok, the winner looked the best. Baylight was second and Lemberg third.

Honeymoon Gift Winner

The "A" division of the Chehalis was won by Honeymoon Gift who beat Fairy Starling to win by a length. Plainsman led all the way until the Monument where Snappylight passed him. Fairy Starling came on the rails while Honeymoon Gift who was lying behind all the way passed the leaders opposite the stands and won by a length. Mimulus won the eighth race by a neck by beating Nero. Mimulus and The Great Macdermott led until the half mile mark where Morgan forced Nero into the lead and rode for all he was worth. Mimulus came on again opposite the stands and just pipped Nero on the post. Servus was third many lengths away.

The Silver Spur Handicap resulted in a close finish between Night Express and Roehampton, in which the former won by a length after leading all the way. Duke of Cornwall was third many lengths away.

The finish of the Bonaventure Handicap ("A" class) resembled a procession more than a race with the five ponies finishing one behind the other with many lengths separating each one. Mightylight won the race by four lengths from Bagshot while Loch Mhor was third many lengths away.

1.—The Maiden Stakes, ¾ mile.
Zafiro (Johnston) 154 W. R. Johnston 1
Off Chance (Anvil) 158 R. Morgan 2
Hungjao (Papyrus) 155 John Sparke 3
Also ran:—Oomra (F. X. Diniz), The Great Macdermot (H. Maitland).
Won by ¾ length; 3 lengths.
Time, 1.39⅘.
Win, $57.00. Places, $15.60, $7.40.
Forecast Pool Race Q3. Div. $112.20.
Winning Combination 3/4.

2.—The Jorrocks Steeplechase, From Loong-Fei Gate, Once Round and in.
San Carlo (A. E. Arnold) 156 E. H. Browne 1
Malenki late Port Soderick (Kadaewe) 153 A. A. White 2
Snowlight (R. E. Nash) 155 R. E. Nash 3
Also ran:—White Patches (W. R. Johnston), Steel King (R. Morgan).
Won by Many lengths; Many lengths.
Win, $19.00. Places, $7.40, $5.60.
Forecast Pool Race R3. Dividend $51.40.
Winning Combination 2/5.

3.—The Stewards Cup, (A Steeplechase,) Twice Round.
Walnut (Y. H. Chou) 164 John Sparke 1
Crockett (Wilhoir) 164 C. G. Jack 1
Prettylight (Cire) 164 C. B. Moller 3
Also ran:—Bull Run (A. A. White), Dobbin (R. Morgan).
Won by Dead Heat; 3 lengths.
Sweep: (1) 541, (2) 92, (3) 599.
Unplaced: 452, 46.
Win, $8.40, $17.20. Places, $9.80, $19.60.
Forecast Pool Race S3.
Winning Combination 1/2 Div. $140.60.
Winning Combination 2/1. Div. $194.80.

4.—The Club Challenge Cup, Over Morriss' Water Jump, Twice Round and in.
Keep Off (Dod) 155 John Sparke 1
Steve Brodie (C. S. Franklin) 155 L. H. Wade 2
Going Slow (E. M. H.) 155 C. B. Moller 3
Also ran:—Glen Muick (R. Morgan), Cinema Morn (E. H. Browne), White Wine (A. A. White), Pageant Morn (S. Stuckon), Chemorlight (Peter Kutt) Non-Starter, Baby Harp (F. Hille), Hey Hey (A. Eggers).
Won by A Neck; 1 length.
Sweep: (1) 289, (2) 45, (3) 646.
Unplaced: 284, 180, 408, 248, 678, 54.
Win, $16.00. Places, $7.00, $10.00, $7.60.

5.—The Beef Stakes, ¾ mile.
Phantom (C. S. Franklin) 175 C. S. Franklin 1
Siboar (Liddell) 190 J. H. Liddell 2
Little Cossack (A. E. Arnold) 190 A. E. Arnold 3
Won by Many lengths; Many lengths.
Win, $14.40. Place, $15.50.
Time, 1.37⅘.
Sweep: (1) 645, (2) 166, (3) 649.
Forecast Pool Race T3. Div. $20.60.
Winning Combination 1/2.

6.—The "Z" Class Champions, 1¼ mile.
Noknok (Rodger) 164 John Sparke 1
Baylight (Cire) 155 C. B. Moller 2
Lemberg (Oxholm) 164 L. H. Wade 3
Also ran:—Aeolus (R. H. Robertson), Tempest (H. Maitland).
Won by Many lengths; Many lengths.
Time, 2.40⅕.
Sweep: (1) 273, (2) 511, (3) 288.
Unplaced: 700, 227.
Win, $11.60. Places, $7.60, $10.80.
Forecast Pool Race U3. Div. $33.60.
Winning Combination 3/4.

7.—The Chehalis Handicap, (A Class), 7 furlongs.
Honeymoon Gift (Lok) 158 J. B. Lok 1
Fairy Starling (G. C. Shaw) 151 G. P. Gram 2
Snappylight (Cire) 151 C. B. Moller 3
Also ran:—Wet Morn (R. D. Parkin), Plainsman (A. Johnstone).
Sweep: (1) 742, (2) 759, (3) 448.
Unplaced 382, 1.
Time, 1.53.
Won by 1½ length; A Head.
Win, $7.80. Places, $6.80, $7.40.
Forecast Pool Race V3. Div. $27.20.
Winning Combination 4/5.

8.—The Chehalis Handicap, 7 furlongs.
Mimulus (Dod) 150 John Sparke 1
Nero (R. H. McNear) 137 R. Morgan 2
Servus (Dean) 157 C. G. Jack 3
Also ran:—The Great Macdermott (F. X. Diniz), Claverton (V. L. Xavier), Breezylight (R. H. Robertson).
Won by A Head; 2 lengths.
Time, 1.55⅘.
Sweep: (1) 577, (2) 567, (3) 759.
Unplaced: 232, 413, 352.
Win, $7.80. Places, $5.40, $6.00, $6.40.
Forecast Pool Race W3. Div. $24.80.
Winning Combination 2/4.

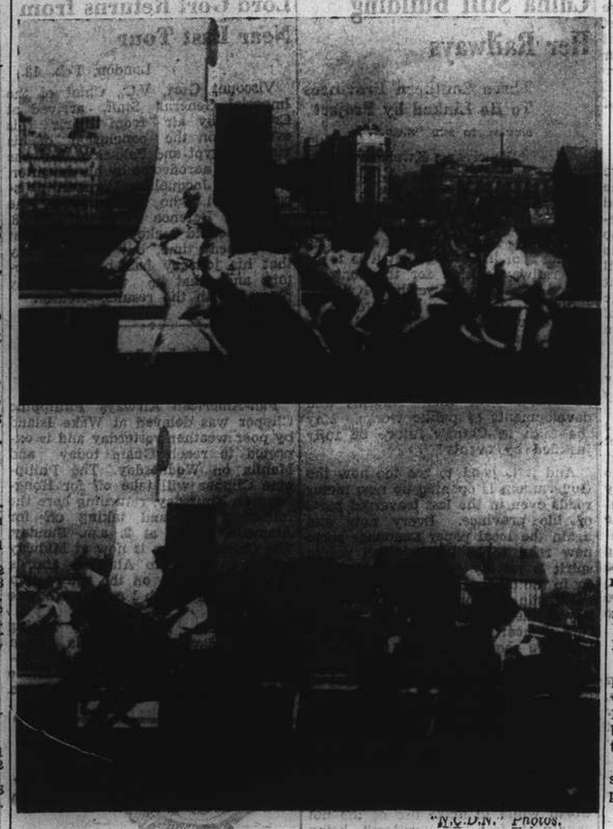
9.—The Silver Spur Handicap, 1¼ mile.
Night Express (R. H. McNair) 167 Gabor Renner 1
Roehampton (A. S. Henchman) 161 A. F. Clark 2
Duke of Cornwall (Hans Luft) 143 R. Morgan 3
Also ran:—Socrates (L. H. Howell), The Myna (F. X. Diniz), Black Pirate (G. R. Cheape), Ancient Temple (R. H. Robertson), White Major (A. A. White).
Won by 1 length, Many lengths.
Time, 2.45.
Win, $15.00. Places, $6.40, $5.60, $7.00.
Sweep: (1) 18344, (2) 14806, (3) 10755.
Unplaced: 03644, 03495, 12567, 15068, 14683.
Sweep: $6,300.00; $1,800.00; $900.00; $204.50.
Forecast Pool Race X3. Div. $23.60.
Winning Combination 1/5.

Entered Non-starters	Sweep No.
Bagshot	03291
Claverton	03679
Loch Mhor	02063
Mightylight	14544
Record Mark	18449
The Midget	01041

10.—The Bonaventure Handicap, 1¼ mile.
Mightylight (Cire) 150 C. B. Moller 1
Bagshot (A. S. Henchman) 162 A. F. Clark 2
Loch Mhor (Yulee) 155 G. P. Gram 3
Also ran:—The Midget (R. D. Parkin), Athenian Knight (J. B. Lok).
Won by 4 lengths; Many lengths.
Time, 2.49⅘.
Sweep: (1) 284., (2) 407, (3) 405.
Unplaced: 419, 251.
Win, $39.60. Places, $14.20, $7.60.
Forecast Pool Race Y3. Div. $90.20.
Winning Combination 3/5.

11.—The Bonaventure Handicap, 1¼ mile.
Record Mark (Jumiriam) 152 V. L. Xavier 1
Goldenray (M. K.) 156 L. H. Wade 2
Friesenfels (Hardi) 156 P. Kutt 3
Also ran:—Experience (G. P. Gram) 157 Non-Starter, Off Chance (R. Morgan) 140 Non-Starter.
Won by A Neck; Many lengths.
Time, 2.49⅘.
Sweep: (1) 216, (2) 465, (3) 54.
Win, $20.20. Place, $14.80.
Forecast Pool Race Z3. Div. $19.20
Winning Combination 4/1.

12.—The Pann Shop Selling Race, 1 mile.
Smart Morn (Allen Pih) 156 J. B. Lok 1
Legateship (Jack Liddell) 156 H. Maitland 2
Crimsonlight (L. & L.) 155 L. H. Wade 3
Won by A Neck; 5 lengths.
Time, 2.17⅘.
Sweep: (1) 1041, (2) 1026, (3) 1082.
Win, $11.80. Place, $12.00.
Forecast Pool Race A4. Div. $18.80.
Winning Combination 2/3.



"N.C.D.N." Photos.

Paper Hunt Club Race Meeting

J. B. Lok (above) who rode two winners, passing the winning post first, beating Fairy Starling (Gram) and Snappylight (C. B. Moller), while the lower picture shows the start of the "Z" Class Champions. The race was won by Noknok who is between the other leading ponies. Baylight who finished second is fourth on the rails.

Grand National Call-Over

London, Feb. 20.

Following is the latest call-over in the Grand National:—

Royal Danieli, 19 to 2 offered, 21 to 2 taken;
Kilstar, 100 to 8 taken and offered;
Rockquilla, 100 to 7 offered;
Workman, 100 to 6 offered;
Temewillow, 20 to one taken and offered;
Airgeadsios, 20 to one offered;
Blue Shirt, 20 to one offered;
Royal Mail 22 to one offered, 25 to one taken;
Perfect Part, 22 to one offered;
Underbid, Dunhill Castle, and Delachance 22 to one offered;
Cooleen, 25 to one offered and taken;
Dominick's Cross, Jovial Judge, Inversible and Brendan's Cottage 25 to one offered;
Symaethis, Sporting Piper and Marconi 33 to one offered.

—Reuter.

Fancied Contenders Must Meet

Draw for Fourth Round Of Scottish Cup

London, Feb. 20.

The luck of the draw in the Scottish Cup has turned out to be unfavourable to three of the fancied contenders, Motherwell, Celtic and Heart, who are coupled in the 4th Round.

Celtic drew with Hearts in the 3rd round by a score of 2-2 and there will have to be a replay, to be held on the former's ground, with the winner to meet Motherwell in the 4th Round. Thus, one of the three favourites only, will reach the semi-finals of the Cup.

Celtic holds an enviable record in the Scottish Cup, having won it 15 times in all, while Hearts boasts of four victories, the last occasion being in the season 1905-06, but Motherwell has yet to win the Cup. The draw in the 4th Round is as follows:—

Motherwell *v.* Hearts or Celtic
Aberdeen *v.* Queen of the South
Hibernians *v.* Dunfermline or Alloa
Clyde *v.* Third Lanark.—Reuter.

Rugby League Cup Third Round Draw

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Feb. 20.

The following is the draw for the Third Round of the Rugby League Cup, which will be played on March 11:—

Wigan *v.* Bradford
Keighley *v.* Leeds
Wakefield *v.* Halifax
Salford *v.* Bramley.—Reuter.

Eliminated Blackburn

London, Feb. 20.

After extra time, Sunderland beat Blackburn Rovers by 1-nil in the second replay of a 5th Round F.A. Cup match on the Sheffield Wednesday's ground. Blackburn drew with Sunderland, who won the Cup in 1937, in the first match on the latter's ground by 1-1. The replay on Sunderland's ground ended in a scoreless draw, in spite of extra time.

Chelsea beat Sheffield Wednesday by 3-1 in another replay in the F.A. Cup.

The defeat of Sheffield Wednesday and Blackburn Rovers has eliminated the last junior contenders from the F.A. Cup, in which the quarter-finalists are now as follows:—Grimsby Town, Chelsea, Sunderland, Everton, Preston, Portsmouth, Wolverhampton and Huddersfield.

Preston and Huddersfield figured in the final last year, the former winning by the only goal.—Reuter.

Test Match in South Africa

England Outclassed in Second Day of Play; Rain Prevents Resumption Yesterday

Johannesburg, Feb. 21.

BY tea time today, no play had been held in the Third Day of the Fourth Test Match between England and South Africa, owing to a heavy drizzle.

Rain fell overnight, producing a thick mist in the morning. The wicket was sodden, and in the absence of the sun and the wind, there was little chance of the wicket drying.

An inspection of the pitch after lunch time today showed that it would be impossible to resume the match before 4 p.m.

Monday's Play

Johannesburg, Feb. 20.

The groundwork for a high-scoring innings was laid by South Africa in the second day of the Fourth Test Match here against England, when at the close of play, the home team had scored 249 runs with the loss of three wickets, in reply to England's score of 215 runs.

Flogging an indifferent English attack, South Africa's opening batsmen each made useful contributions to the score, bringing in the runs at a fast rate. Melville, Mitchell and Rowan all made half centuries, the last-named batsman carrying his bat.

Two chances were missed by England, Van der Byl getting a life at 22, while Mitchell also had a close call at 19 when Wilkinson unfortunately bumped into Edrich, thereby spoiling the latter's catch.

A heavy fall of rain on Sunday saturated the wicket and it was not possible to play in the morning.

No Play Before Lunch

There was no play before lunch owing to yesterday's rain, which left the wicket sodden, but the match was resumed at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, with Melville (9) and Van der Byl (2) batting for South Africa.

Farnes thirce struck the batsmen on the body. Goddard concentrated on a leg attack. He did not have a single man in the slips, but placed four fieldsmen at short leg, succeeding in tying down the batsmen. Verity, however, was not dangerous.

Van der Byl, when he had scored 22, was dropped by Farnes in the gully off Wilkinson. The batsmen were now cutting and driving confidently. Verity and Wilkinson sent down several loose ones which were punished. The 100 was put on the board after South Africa's innings had lasted 90 minutes.

Soon after, Melville was caught in the gully by Verity off Wilkinson (108 for one). Melville took 99 minutes in which to score 67 runs, which included ten fours. He gave a grand batting display.

Goddard relieved Verity and the change in bowling met with immediate success, Van der Byl being bowled by Goddard's second ball (108 for two). His score was 31, compiled in a patient knock.

Rowan (13) and Mitchell (25) were unbeaten at the tea interval, when South Africa's score was 148 runs for two wickets.

Mitchell Dropped

Mitchell, when his score stood at 19, was dropped at shortleg by Edrich off Goddard, Wilkinson bumping into him.

Batting steadily and untroubled by the English attack, the batsmen put up the 200 in 183 minutes, which was greeted by enthusiastic applause from the 6,000 spectators present. Mitchell reached his half-century in 79 minutes. His innings had then featured six boundary hits. His partnership with Rowan produced 100 runs in 89 minutes.

Rowan, batting stolidly, obtained his 50 after having been at bat for 123 minutes, by which time he had sent the ball three times to the tapes. Mitchell then lost his wicket, Ames shapping up a chance behind the wicket, off Farnes (224 for three). Mitchell's contribution was 63. He gave a brilliant batting display, driving splendidly, while he was equally effective with pulls to leg.

Nourse joined Rowan and immediately began to hit out. The latter was content to keep his end up, allowing Nourse to punish the bowing.

At the close of play, South Africa's score had mounted to 249 runs for three wickets, with Nourse (20) and Rowan (53) not out.

England—1st Innings 215.

South Africa—1st Innings

Melville, c. Verity, b. Wilkinson	67
Van der Byl, b. Goddard	31
Rowan, not out	53
Mitchell, c. Ames, b. Farnes	63
Nourse, not out	20
Extras	15
Total (For three wickets)	249

Fall of wickets:—1-108 (Melville), 2-108 (Van der Byl), 3-224 (Mitchell).—Reuter.

Swinton Defeats Oldham

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Feb. 20.

Oldham lost at home by 7-0 to Swinton in a match in the Rugby League played today.—Reuter.

Lincolnshire Call-Over

London, Feb. 20.

Following is the latest call-over in the Lincolnshire:—

100/7 Burgundian and Daily Bread;
100/6 Domaha, Galsonia, Dark Tolly and Zaimis;
18/1 Smy;
20/1 Aldine, Davy Do Little, Zoltan and Agincourt;
25/1 Flaxman, May Wong, Mahalo, Temeraire, Squadron Castle, Tap Dancer and Roe Town;
28/1 Pricket;
49/1 Croiseun.

The above were all offered.—Reuter.

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British Government Conceding Arab Rights in Palestine

London Anticipates Curb on Immigration of Jews; Communal Constitution Expected

London, Feb. 20.

THE British Cabinet has decided to recognize in principle the Arabs' rights to political independence in Palestine, authoritative quarters stated tonight. Jewish immigration to the Holy Land will be limited so that the Jews should never threaten Arab supremacy there, it was added. Jews will be permitted to buy lands in some districts, but such purchases will be banned in other regions. A constitution on the communal basis will provide for political equality between the Arabs and Jews, the same quarters concluded.—Havas.

London, Feb. 20.

Most of today's business in the Palestine Conference was between the British and Arab delegations. Two new Arab members, Teufic Suwaidi and Yacoub Farraj, attended for the first time.

The Egyptian delegation spoke on behalf of neighbouring States on the question of an independent Arab State in Palestine. A two-hour discussion then ensued on the Arab demand for a complete stoppage of Jewish immigration. The talk was adjourned until Wednesday when immigration will further be discussed, together with the Arab demand for the prohibition of land sales to Jews.

Immigration will be discussed between the British and Jewish delegates tonight.

The Arabs, it is understood, in opposing Jewish immigration, deny they have deviated from this policy in any way and this view was advanced by a Palestine spokesman in a closely reasoned statement, showing the rapid increase of Jewish immigration since 1919, which, it asserted, goes beyond the principle of absorptive economic capacity.

It is understood that the British Government has so far expressed no views on any of the demands. The whole position will be considered at an early Cabinet meeting, when, it is hoped, the views of the delegations on all their demands will be available.

Reports that a request was made for joint Arab and Jewish talks find no confirmation in authoritative circles.

This will be a week of crisis in the Palestine Conference in the opinion of the Arab delegates. They point out that the publication of the McMahon correspondence, ordinarily expected to clarify their claims of independence, will not decide this vexed issue owing to possible differences between the Foreign Office and Arabic texts in the interpretation to be placed upon such geographical terms of "district," "sanjak" and "vilayet" in relation to the special significance being attached to these terms under Turkish sovereignty.

The Arabs, it is understood, want any points of difference between the two texts submitted to a neutral committee of jurists.

The Arab delegations, which were quietly confident of some favourable outcome of the Conference last week, are now not certain of their reactions. They point out here that the Jews have maintained their demands in face of very strong Arab representations.

The Arabs also believe that the British Government is being subjected to considerable pressure from America, where sympathy for the Jews is very real.

Both sides were asked to make certain concessions but Arab delegations expect little to come from this. In certain circumstances, the Arab delegations might make immigration concessions to the Jews up to a ratio of 30 per cent. Jews to 70 per cent. Arabs.—Reuter.

2,300 Exhibitors At B.I.F.

37 Nations Send Agents; Air Raid Precaution Exhibits Featured

London, Feb. 21.

A total of 2,300 trade exhibitors are displaying products at the British Industries Fair, which opened today.

Like last year, there are three sections, namely, Olympia, where the lighter industries are on display, Earl's Court, where textiles, furniture and foodstuffs from all parts of the Empire are on view, and Birmingham, where nearly 1,000 exhibitors in the hardware, metal and engineering industries are represented.

There are rather fewer exhibitors this year than in 1938, but the aggregate area covered by exhibits is larger, at 825,000 square feet. There are 26 miles of stand frontage.

Foreign trade exhibitors have increased considerably since last year's exhibition. Thirty-seven countries have sent representatives to the British fair, Holland heading the foreign contingent with 681 representatives, Belgium and Germany sending nearly 300 each, Czechoslovakia 234 compared with 37 in 1938, and Poland and Hungary sending a stronger contingent than in former years.

There is a good sprinkling of representatives from the British Dominions, and many out-of-the-way colonies are represented.

Catalogues are printed in eight languages.

A new feature of the Birmingham section of the Fair is that extensive accommodation is given to air raid precaution exhibits, ranging from dugouts and ground shelters to fire-fighting devices, and respirators.

The Queen today spent three hours in the Earl's Court section during which she watched a fashion parade, and saw the new "petticoat" frocks with a petticoat frill showing beneath the hem of the skirt. Her Majesty thought these frocks most attractive.—Reuter.

Five U.S. Navy Planes Crash in Florida

Twelve Forced Down After Fuel Runs Out in Fog

Pensacola, Fla., Feb. 21.

Five out of twelve Naval Station planes engaged in a formation flight crashed late last night when all the machines were forced to make a blind landing after their petrol had been exhausted, it was revealed here today. One Brazilian Navy student pilot was killed, but the other pilots were "not dangerously" injured, the officials at the Naval Station said.

While the twelve planes were engaged in a formation flight they ran into a thick fog. The fog kept them aloft until their petrol supplies ran out and they decided to take a chance and make a blind landing. Five of the planes were destroyed.—United Press.

Jardine's Ship Grounds

Chungking, Feb. 21.

The ss. Sin Hsiangwo, owned by Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., is reported to have grounded about 15 miles below Chungking today. The ship is said to be making some water in the engine-room. Assistance is being sent from Chungking.—Reuter.

Britain to Bid for Baltic Trade

Soviet Rapprochement Also Envisaged After Berlin Negotiations

London, Feb. 20.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Prime Minister, announced in the House of Commons today that Mr. R. S. Hudson, Secretary for Overseas Trade, would visit Moscow, and other northern capitals, in the latter half of March.

Mr. Hudson, the Premier declared, would carry out his visits in pursuance of the British Government's desire to improve and consolidate relations with other Governments. In this connection, he said, they were paying special attention to the possibility of trade relations.

At present, Mr. Hudson and Mr. Oliver Stanley, President of the Board of Trade, are preparing to visit Berlin, where they will discuss trade relations between Great Britain and Germany.

Mr. Hudson, it is learned, will also visit Poland and Finland. He plans, at present, to go to Warsaw from Berlin and then to Moscow, returning home via Helsingfors.

The chief aim of these visits will be to try to persuade the industrialists of those countries to purchase more from British manufacturers.

Complaints have been received by the Department of Overseas Trade from manufacturers and various chambers of commerce regarding what they describe as a "one-sided trade agreement between Great Britain and the Soviet." Mr. Hudson will be able to take up these complaints with Russian officials.

Regarding Finland, it is felt that there is a good opening for further British trade in view of the present trade balance between Great Britain and Finland.—Reuter.

Mr. Ashton-Gwatkin in Berlin

Berlin, Feb. 20.

Mr. F. T. A. Ashton-Gwatkin, chief of the Economic Department of the Foreign Office, has arrived in Berlin to pave the way for economic talks between Great Britain and Germany.

These conversations are to be officially continued upon the arrival of Mr. Oliver Stanley, President of the Board of Trade, and Mr. R. S. Hudson, Parliamentary Secretary for Overseas Trade.—Reuter.

Anglo-Soviet Rapprochement

London, Feb. 20.

The visit to Moscow next month by Mr. R. S. Hudson, Secretary for Overseas Trade, will mark the first step in Britain's policy of political and economic rapprochement with the Soviets, informed political quarters emphasized today. This policy, they recalled, was anticipated in the instructions given the new British Ambassador, Sir William Seeds, who was told to devote his efforts to securing such rapprochement.

Officially, Mr. Hudson's visit is to seek to readjust the Anglo-Soviet Trade Agreement of 1936, the results of which British industrialists consider unsatisfactory as the trade balance has been unfavourable to Britain, with a deficit of £9,500,000 in 1937. Moreover, the major portion of Soviet imports from Britain are goods re-exported from, and not made in Great Britain.

On his trip to Moscow, Mr. Hudson will be accompanied by Mr. F. T. A. Ashton-Gwatkin, head of the Economic Department in the Foreign Office.—Havas.

Japan Must Develop Chinese Industries or Others Will

Clash With Home Products Must Be Risked; Minister of Commerce Gives View in Diet

Tokyo, Feb. 18.

EVEN though it may clash with home industry, industrial development in China should be undertaken by Japanese interests, the Minister of Commerce and Industry, Mr. Yoshikai Hatta, declared in the House of Representatives. Past experience had shown, he said, that nationals of other nations would undertake the development of manufacturing interests in China if Japan did not.

Mr. Hatta made the statement in reply to an interpellation by a Seiyukai member, who asserted that the development of Japanese cotton spinning mills in China was a menace to the cotton industry in Japan, and that further pressure would be felt if the manufacture of miscellaneous goods were revived in China.

"It is only natural," Mr. Hatta replied "that there should be more or less of a clash of interests between domestic spinning and that in China, but it is clear from past experience that if Japan does not exploit industries in China, third Powers will take advantage of the situation. If there is any room for industrial development in China, Japan should take positive steps to undertake it. Osaka merchants dealing in miscellaneous goods are saying we ought to advance in Central China at this opportunity, and I agree. But we shall try to avert friction as much as possible.

Vague Trade Control Laws

A charge that defects in the laws and ordinances concerning control of materials had resulted in the arrest of some 200,000 tradesmen and industrialists was made in the House of Representatives by a member of the Seiyukai.

In many cases, he said, local economic police had made arrests because they failed to understand the laws. He urged that the Ministry of Commerce and Industry clarify the regulations instead of leaving them to interpretation by local police.

"The Ministry has been trying," replied the Minister of Commerce and Industry, "to make industrialists and tradesmen, as well as local authorities, understand the ordinances we have been issuing, but I admit that in places the texts are worded vaguely. We shall strive to make proper adjustments."—Reuter.

Seized Vessel Still Detained

The Hungarian-owned coastal steamer Ada, which was seized by a Japanese naval patrol and escorted to Amoy several weeks ago, is still under detention at that port, a Japanese naval spokesman revealed at the Japanese press conference yesterday.

He believed, he continued, that the crew of the vessel had been released although he had not received any official information from the authorities at Amoy.

German-Czech Pact Causes Concern

British Government Not Yet Informed

London, Feb. 20.

The British Government had received no details of an agreement between the German and Czechoslovakian Governments, according to Germany the right to rush her troops over Czech territory in time of war, declared Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, in replying to a question in the House of Commons today.

Answering a supplementary question, Mr. Butler admitted the importance of the matter. He said he would make fresh enquiries in Czechoslovakia.—Reuter.

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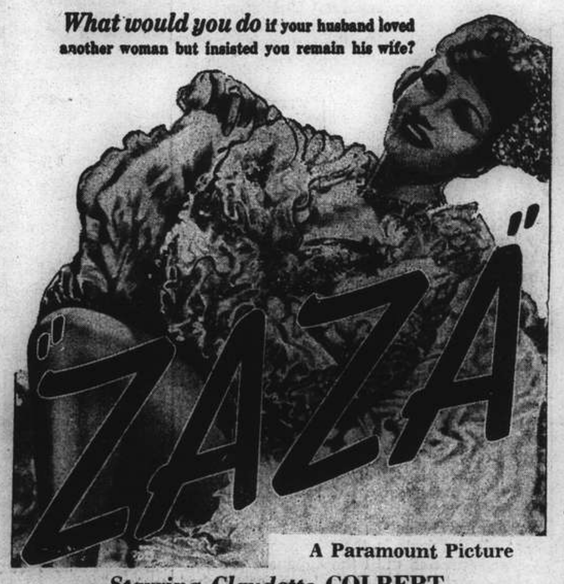

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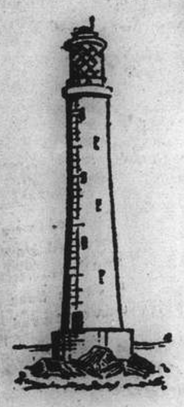

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THE CLOSED YANGTZE

Over the Spring Holidays, Admiral Mitsumasa Yonai, Japanese Navy Minister, had something to say before the House of Peers on the subject of the closing of the Yangtze to the shipping of third party neutrals. The statement which he made in reply to interpellation's does not differ greatly from declarations which have been made by other Japanese statesmen, though he manages to make admissions which sound somewhat strangely in view of the facts as they are known in China. The Navy Minister is, of course, dependent upon reports which he receives from officials in this country, and it is charitable to assume that at the most he has been misinformed. Admiral Yonai admits that "foreign Powers enjoy the right of navigation on the Yangtze River," pointing out however, that it is not an international river as defined by international law. From this he argues that Japan being in fact at war with the Chiang Kai-shek régime, and the Yangtze forming a strategic artery, if strategic necessity dictates Japan should not hesitate to close the river. The fact is, of course, that the Chinese closed it; the Japanese had to open it as they forced their way inland, this being necessary as the best means of transporting supplies for the armies penetrating deeper and deeper into the interior. Had the matter rested solely on that footing there would have been little ground of complaint, so long as the river had been opened as soon as it was militarily feasible to do so, and Japan had thus given practical recognition to the rights of the other Powers which Admiral Yonai frankly admits do exist. But that does not end it. The "North-China Daily News" some months ago revealed with considerable detail the fact that Japanese shipping was trading up the Yangtze, carrying not only war material, as was at first alleged, but doing a very substantial import and export trade which by no stretch of imagination could be described as having military characteristics. It was claimed that the river was so dangerous, because of mines, etc. laid by the Chinese, that these instruments of destruction would have to be removed before other foreign shipping could use the waterway.

There was also the legend that such shipping ran the risk of being fired upon by the Chinese, and when foreign gunboats were escorted down the river from Hankow recently a theatrical display of firing was given to indicate dangers from the shore, which completely failed to impress foreign observers on the spot. The whole display was a puerile one, carrying no conviction, but rather confirming the opinion already formed that the alleged dangers were more fancied than real. The gravamen of the complaint of third party neutrals was not merely that the Yangtze was being kept closed to them, but that they were in fact being discriminated against by the Japanese who had opened the river to their own commercial craft to the exclusion of all others. Admiral Yonai agrees that the earlier the river is opened the more benefits will the Chinese receive, but he adds that "Japan's purpose would be defeated if the Yangtze were opened for the sake of the Chinese people and utilized by the Chiang Kai-shek régime." How a river commanded at the mouth, and along the banks to at least as far as Hankow by Japanese forces could be utilized in such a manner passeth all understanding. It simply could not be done, and that must be as apparent to the Admiral as it is to anyone acquainted with the present position. He is on equally unsafe ground when he seeks to suggest that the reopening of the Yangtze would place Japan under a handicap, from which she has power enough to recover. The suggestion that such a procedure would create any such handicap is fatuous in the extreme. He is standing on a veritable quicksand when he goes on to say.

"I harbour no misgivings regarding the opening of the Yangtze itself. I firmly believe that there is not a single Japanese who has such a mean idea as to attempt to reap profits from the Japanese military operations on the Yangtze."

If the Admiral really thinks that, he is either completely misinformed, or he is refusing to face the facts, which are that Japanese commercial representatives have followed the Japanese armies up the Yangtze Valley and are seeking with the greatest possible haste to establish themselves in what should be an exclusively strong position before the Yangtze is again opened to all.

If that is not seeking to wrest profits from Japanese military operations along the great river, it would be interesting to know what the Minister of Navy really thinks it is. The time worn excuse of "military necessity" cannot and does not cover up the fact that the Japanese officials in China are permitting their own nationals to carry on business in the occupied areas to the exclusion of everyone else, and the deduction to be drawn from all the facts is that the reopening will not be permitted until the Japanese are reasonably certain that they have established for themselves a trading position which they conceive to be invulnerable. He confesses inability to state when the waterway will again be open to all; indeed he expresses the pious hope that this will be done as early as possible. But then he foreshadows that even when general traffic is again permitted it will have to be subject to some restriction. What that means is not clear. Experience in other parts of China, however, would indicate that such a reopening would be under conditions, similar to those prevailing in various ports at present occupied by the Japanese, conditions which would be made to militate against the successful trading of third party Powers, or at least to place them under such disadvantages as would make it very difficult indeed to carry on. Admiral Yonai may convince the House of Peers of the genuineness of the Government's alleged desire to do the fair thing, but a great deal more than soft words will be necessary to demonstrate Japanese good faith so far as those other nations whose interests are involved by Japanese action in China are concerned. In this connection it may be remarked that much of the "misunderstanding" of which the Japanese complain is entirely due to the fact that they by their own actions have chiefly contributed to it, for the number of cases in which they have demonstrated any real good will is remarkably small.

Gangsters in Clover

The picture which might be constructed from the material provided in the article which appeared in the "North-China Daily News" on Sunday on the gambling racket in the western district outside roads area, and in today's issue on the opium and heroin racket which is semi-officially sponsored in the same area, could be entitled without any distortion of the facts. "Gangsterdom in Clover." Sweeping assertions, such as that the Japanese are deliberately attempting to demoralize the Chinese people by pandering to their favourite vices, are not justified by the investigation undertaken by this journal, as it appears more probable that the deterioration of the situation is due to the employment by the Japanese of an inferior type of Chinese of the loafer class and possibly also by the use of Japanese who have long been associated with this class in the course of their intelligence work and who have thus become infected with its complete disregard of morality and the principles of justice. The responsible Japanese authorities might well regard the cesspool of iniquity into which the western outside roads area has been transformed since their occupation of Shanghai as too unimportant to merit their full attention, while they have at the same time a task of the proportions of a major war on their hands. The position is quickly becoming so bad, however, that they must soon give it more than cursory supervision. An asylum for armed criminals has been created next door to the Settlement from which raids, robberies, and assassinations are being planned with comparative impunity. To arm the police of this section with rifles and pistols, as has recently been done, can assist only insofar as the police are also supplied with ammunition, and it is reported that no policeman in that section is allowed more than one round for his weapon, for fear that he might misuse it against his Japanese or pro-Japanese employers. Machineguns are also said to have been given to this unhappy police force, but without ammunition. They are supposed to apply for ammunition to the local Japanese military police headquarters when they need it—a procedure which is manifestly absurd, as the armed criminals against whom the guns might be used, would have disappeared long before the ammunition was issued. The conditions in this area—the tolerated, if not encouraged, existence of gambling and narcotic dens, the employment and official association with the worst type of loafer and tout, the helplessness of the forces of law and order—combine to make it a paradise for gangsterdom and as such a menace to the whole of Shanghai. General condemnation of the Municipal police and the Municipal Council for being unable to end political assassinations by what appears to be a highly organized band therefore loses much of its purpose. It conjures up the parable of the "mote" and the "beam."

Trans-Atlantic Air Route

Yet another link will be added to the chain of British air routes soon to span the world when the Imperial Airways experimental mail route from England across the North Atlantic to Canada is inaugurated early next summer. The date has been fixed provisionally for June 1, when the base at Botwood in Newfoundland is expected to be free of ice. The aircraft employed on this route will be four modified seaplanes of specially strong construction and provided with mechanism enabling them to refuel in mid-air. This refuelling from a tanker craft while in flight should present no difficulties, as practice has been carried out for some time to achieve the necessary technique. The purpose of this supplementary fuelling is, of course, to provide the craft with a larger store of fuel than it could safely have lifted by itself when taking off, and thus it will be able to combine a large pay load with a long range. In the present case the flying boats will take off with 46,000 lb. of fuel, while another 7,000 lb. will be added during the flight. The four flying boats, of which three are already launched, are at present the only existing seaplane fleet which could operate the service across the North Atlantic. It is intended to commence the operation of the England-Canada route with one weekly journey each way, and later to increase it to two double journeys per week. In addition to this new venture, a British air service to South America via West Africa has been planned from England, and during the course of the present year air services from England to every major capital in Europe will be provided.

A COUNTRY DIARY

February 19.—Chinese New Year morning... dull, wet and miserable: walked through Our Village to look for signs of life, and found them very hard to find: every little house and shop is firmly shuttered up, with pink and red papers stuck on doors and shutters bearing quaint designs and words which are presumably the equivalent of "Bless our Happy Home": the erudite young Mr. Dong who goes to the big foreign College has written a sign on his door in English—"Happy New Year"—just to show that he is at home in any language: little sprigs of evergreen are nailed above the doors of even the humblest huts...for everyone from plutocrat to beggar must celebrate this happy day. All the elders are asleep, and even Grandma's treble voice is missing from the scene: only little Mei-mei is out in the yard fanning the fire which will provide the Wang family with their cup of early morning tea; the fire is in a home-made chatty fashioned from a discarded kerosine tin lined with a little mud: the smoke goes into little Mei-mei's eyes and nose, and makes her sneeze—*"A-tish-oo"*—that world-wide benediction which sounds so much like "Bless you": the smoke rolls down the empty village street and reaches the noses of John-Willy and his friends....who sniff sharply and rub backs of hands below offended nostrils. John-Willy is, of course, a man-child and must not work on a day like this: he and his friends are dressed in their best raiment... long gowns and fancy shoes fashioned by Mr. Bata...and they look very uncomfortable in them: thus solemnly arrayed they are unable to enter into all that mischief so dear to hearts of men-children all the world over...so they are contenting themselves with taking pot-shots at the feeding rooks with a badly made catapult: the rooks say "Caw" in a superior manner and go on feeding. Up in a tree a very damp Blackbird says, *"Chih-vair, chih-vair."* So I take the tip and walk home to breakfast.

IN PARENTHESIS

Let 'em Have It

"WELL," said the genial chairman to the guest of honour at the banquet, "shall we let them enjoy themselves a bit longer, or shall we have your speech now?"

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Weather Wisdom

WHEN foire's out,
An' foire burns,
It du' be 'ot
An' cold boi turns.

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Sort of

"Now tell me, what animal has the greatest fondness for man?"

"What animal?" repeated the angel child.

"Yes."

"Please, teacher, is woman an animal?"

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Lucky Girl

"DID ye see in the paper, Jock, that a young wife made hersel' sick wi' eating chocolates her husband gave her?"

"Aye, lass, but whit aboot it?"

"I was only thinking how safe I am."

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Silent Partner

"You must miss your husband terribly when he's travelling."

"Oh, no. I just prop a newspaper in front of his plate at breakfast and I don't know he's away."

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By Gad, Sir!

"MOST extraordinary thing, my dear feller," said the retired colonel, "but, do you know, when I was in India, I found a tiger would never harm you if you carried a white stick."

"Really, sir? And how fast did you have to carry it?"

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Lullaby

"TURN into greased bun-tins, and bake in a moderate oven for fifteen minutes...."

Baby, baby Buntin',
Mother's short of one tin,
So be prepared to find yourself
Greased, filled, and on the oven shelf.

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More Progress

THE aims of the Prominent Citizens' League—whose membership calls for a minimum waist measurement of 48 inches—are described by its founder, Mr. Richard Potato, as all-embracing.

"We think," he says, "that someone should do something in a big way about everything.

"Unemployment, for example, lasting peace, agriculture, prosperity—all these things need the guidance of a firm hand on a broad basis.

"We are convinced that somehow this can be done in a variety of ways, and we are already contemplating an enthusiastic drive to increase our membership to that end."

The League has received a sympathetic letter from the Prime Minister.

Showman in the "Daily Herald."

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Prime Mover

"SEVERAL important Cabinet changes are expected to be announced in the next few days."

In haccents so noble an' bell-like,
The Premier spoke ter 'is chums.
'E said "Just a word in yer shell-like
"Afore this 'ere reshuffle comes:
"I love yer," 'e said, "like a farver!"
An' flung aht a neloquent harm—
The Government boys muttered
"Rarver!"
Knocked aht by 'is heloquent charm.

"Some cows," 'e remarked, "'ave been 'inting
"That Leslie Belisha must go—
"For shime!" and the cows sat there squinting
In shime at the carpet below:
"Such dirty work reelly don't suitcher,"
'E went on, all easy and free,
"So let's 'ave no more in the fewcher—
"You leave all the fewcher ter me.

'Come, come, boys, don't take it ter 'eart so,"
Proceeded 'is noble haranque,
'Yer know that I play the chief part, so
"I must be backed up by the gang:
"There isn't a daht, boys, that this course
"Will sive yer agine and agine—"
But the rest of 'is heloquent discourse
Was lost in hexplosions from Spain.

By F. G. H. Salusbury in the "Daily Herald."

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Marmaduke's Column

ONE of the most popular features of the "World's Press News" at Home is Marmaduke's column or the diary of a London Sub-Editor's youthful son. In his column each week Marmaduke in his own inimitable style scores many at the expense of members of the Fourth Estate, especially those employed in Fleet Street.

There is a nip in the early morning air these days, as you chaps may have notissed on your way home. Autum is here, and crumpets are onse aggain in seazon at the teashops.

An outbreak of new jernals is likely to happen at any moment now, and forchunately there is no shortidge of jernalists.

Music-hall comedians, in between their radio contracts and doing two halls a nite, are stepping nobly into the breech, and turning out artikles by premishion of George Black.

A lot of familier faces are to be seen round fleet Street, now the holidays are over; and Vicount Fortrosse, the famous gossup-writer, is onse aggain to be found in his acustomed place—under the second table in the Senior Gossup-Writers' Club.

The "Stonehand's Rest" is expekting much custum this winter. The lanlord has bougt a new pin-table, and is haveing Rosie, the barnaid, redeckorated. Aubrey Attaboy, Daily Wangle's ace reporter, hopes to retain his title as champion in the darts' turnament. He was the only player to score a bull on the revolving dart's-board. At leest he said it was revolving.

Here is a tip. Acording to the book, "The Mirror of Angling," volume two, eels are diffickult things to remove from hooks; but all you have to do is lay them on a newspaper—and they remain still.

Unforchunately the book don't say what newspaper you have to use. Praps it's the D—— M——!

Laugh, clown laugh! You nevver know, but a jernalist turning out a gay artikle migt be doing so while suffering from a secret sorrow. But he can't wear his hart on his sleeve—he's got to turn out his stuff as if nothink had happend. He must conseal his sorrow from the world.

After all, his readers migt be suffering from the same trubble. Becos Arsenal did look a good thing on the coupen last Saturday, dident it?

THE WEATHER

Temperature near Holy Trinity Cathedral Shanghai 24 hours ending 7 p.m.:—

Yesterday	Min.	30.5	Max.	49.5
Same date, 1938	Min.	37.0	Max.	51.0

Rainfall nil.

Temperature at Siccawei:—

Yesterday	Min.	29.8	Max.	50.9
Same date, 1938	Min.	30.0	Max.	57.0

Siccawei's Report

State on the morning of the 20th:—High pressures rising over China and Korea. Depression to the south of Kiusiu moving eastward. North-westerly to north-easterly winds along the China Coast. Fine weather in the north: overcast to cloudy in our regions.

State on the morning of the 21st:—Cloudy, fine and cold weather. West-north-westerly wind. High and steady pressure. Hoar frost.

Probabilities, 4.30 p.m. yesterday:—Fine and cold weather with south-westerly to north-westerly breezes around Shantung. Cloudy, fine and cold with morning fog and north-westerly to northerly winds over our regions. Cloudy to overcast with fresh north-easterly winds over the Eastern Sea and Formosa.—Siccawei Observatory.

Britain's Vast Arms Financing Revealed

Programme Detailed in Commons; Borrowing Powers Doubled; Payments from Revenue to Be Reduced; No Further Taxation Expected

London, Feb. 20.

TWO days' debate on defence was opened in the House of Commons today by Sir John Simon, Chancellor of the Exchequer, in a speech which was notable for its frank forecast of approximate proportions in which defence expenditure of the coming year would have to be met from revenue and borrowed money respectively. Sir John Simon opened the debate by moving a resolution to confirm the increase of borrowing powers for defence purposes to £800,000,000. These powers, he said, were to cover air-raid precaution and food storage services in addition to the three defence services.

The rearmament plans, said Sir John Simon, were designed to reach completion in five years. Sir John Simon declared that in the first three years of the plan, which, it was originally estimated, would cost £1,500,000,000, approximately £1,250,000,000 would be spent on naval, military, air and civil defence. Defence expenditure to March 31, 1940, he continued, was now estimated at £406,000,000, of which £274,000,000 would be available from revenue and £130,000,000 from borrowing.

The financial year of 1939-40, he said, would see a "full blast of production" and would be a year of most substantial progress.

Of the £560,000,000 estimated for defence expenditure for the financial year of 1939-40, he said, £230,000,000 would come from revenue and £350,000,000 would have to come from borrowing. Of the £1,250,000,000 expenditure in the three years, £700,000,000 would have to be met from revenue.

Sir John Simon said it had already been decided that there were sufficient grounds of justification for resorting to borrowing for the rearmament programme. He thought it was widely and generally recognized that the financial strain involved was greater than could be met fairly or solely out of revenue.

Taxation Must Increase

Since the rearmament plans were designed to reach completion in the limited period of five years, he thought, it would be inequitable that the whole cost should be debited in the few years which it was incurred. Nevertheless, he continued, they had to show them themselves ready to bear, year by year, their proper share themselves.

Dealing with the question of how the present borrowing power was to be increased, Sir John Simon said:

"It seems one must judge the validity of this enormous total, firstly, in association with the scale over the total rearmament. Secondly, it must be judged in comparison with the provisions which we will make year by year from revenue."

Referring to the estimates of the Navy, Army and Air Force, which will be issued within a few days, the Chancellor said that for the purpose of defence estimates, he had made the assumption that approximately £230,000,000 would be available out of revenue, leaving about £350,000,000 to be met from the loans account.

In reply to an interruption, Sir John Simon emphasized that the figure for defence expenditure covered civil defence as well.

Possibilities for Relief

In the period between 1932 and 1935, he added, the country had seen a restoration towards prosperity which would enable a remission of a large part of the burdens imposed in 1931. There was no removal of the burdens of 1930.

During the last three years, he declared, the people of Great Britain had had three successive increases in Income Tax, altogether making an additional shilling to the pound. They had a new temporary tax for national defence contribution, which would be coming into full yield in the year now approaching.

Sir John Simon expressed the opinion that they were entitled to claim that the present generation was playing its part. He added: "We shall not suffer either a loss of credits in the present, nor shall we incur the reproaches of our successors hereafter in the course which we have been compelled to take."

Repayments of Loans

The provision for the repayment of borrowed money, he said, was quite specific.

He explained that when a department had received a duly authorized issue of a loan of money, then interest, at the rate of three per cent., was charged against that department to the end of the five-year period and thereafter sums had to be repaid to the Exchequer with interest in the form of thirty annual instalments and that repayment was chargeable upon the vote of the department.

The resolution moved by the Chancellor provided:

1. For an increase of borrowing powers authorized by the 1937 Defence Loans Act from a total of £400,000,000 to £800,000,000; and

2. For a re-definition of the defence services for the purpose of an Act, so as to permit of expenditure on the Loan Account for civilian defence and grants in aid of the Essential Commodities Reserve Fund.

Civil defence, he continued, was more and more seen to be an essential part of defence as a whole.

Limitations Wanted

He proceeded to say that it was deplorable, grievous and horrible that so large a part of world resources should be devoted for this purpose when they might otherwise be available to promote peaceful progress. (general cheers).

A general limitation of armaments, effectively secured, he went on, would indeed modify the situation.

"If we have to face a continuance, for a time, of this burden," Sir John Simon concluded, let us at least remember that other countries feel these burdens as well as ourselves, and let us be confident that our own land, with its financial strength and with those other resources which are more potent—British character and democratic faith—will be able to stand the strain. (Ministerial cheers.)

Labour Amendment

Mr. Hugh Dalton, Labour member for the Bishop Auckland division of Durham, in moving a formal amendment to reduce the borrowing powers by £1,000,000, on behalf of the Labour Opposition, said that the total expenditure on defence was unparalleled, in peacetime.

If all this money was going to be spent on the assumption that there was to be a war, he declared, provi-

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U.S. Senator Hits "Appeasement"

"Immoral, Ultimately Destructive" Policy, Says Mr. Key Pittman

Washington, Feb. 20.

Immoral, unsuccessful and ultimately destructive was how Senator Key Pittman, Democrat from Nevada, described the policy of appeasement in a broadcast speech here tonight.

"It is evident," he declared, "that no person can die more than once and that his period of life is limited. It is far better that he die a few days earlier for Christianity, justice and liberty than to live a little longer in cowardice and degeneracy."

Senator Pittman ridiculed the isolationists, declaring that a firm defence of American rights "throughout the universe" was the policy most likely to keep the United States out of war.

British Policy Attacked

"Didn't the British policy of appeasement surrender to the mercy of Herr Hitler not only Czechoslovakia, but also Poland, Rumania, Yugoslavia and Turkey?" Senator Pittman asked.

"What is there to stop his domination, if not the conquest, of these countries?" he went on. "What can Holland and Denmark do with regard to Herr Hitler's demands?" and, "Does anyone doubt that Herr Hitler has in programme the domination of Ukraine, and even Siberia?" he wanted to know.

After declaring that Japan was bent on the domination of East Asia, including islands in the Pacific, Senator Pittman made a cryptic reference to Signor Mussolini being "by force of circumstances" in the Berlin-Rome-Tokyo triangle.

President Roosevelt's policy was to avoid alliances, but to give "oppressed Governments" all the help that he could legally give, short of war, Senator Pittman concluded.—Reuter.

Eire Treason Bill Issued

Death Penalty Provided For Conspirators

Dublin, Feb. 20.

The text of the Eire Treason Bill was issued here today. It provides the death penalty for treason consisting of the levying of war against the State or assisting or conspiring to levy war, or attempting by any violent means to overthrow the lawful Government.

Every person, who, being an Irish citizen or ordinarily a resident of Eire, commits treason outside of the State, shall be liable to a death penalty on conviction.

This section of the Treason Bill has excited much interest as it is taken to mean that if a citizen of Eire act treasonably towards Eire from another country, the Government of Eire could ask for his extradition: this may particularly apply in Great Britain.

Persons knowingly harbouring a traitor are liable to a fine or two years' imprisonment. Persons declining to disclose or deliberately withholding knowledge of treason will be liable to five years' imprisonment.

The second bill, entitled "Offence Against the State Bill," aimed at the Irish Republican Army and authorizing the establishment of a special criminal court, is expected to be issued in a day or two.—Reuter.

Airlines Conference Due in London

Cheaper Price of Commercial Transport Sought

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Feb. 20.

An international conference, at which the United Kingdom, South Africa, Australia, New Zealand, India, Eire and the United States, together with 45 other foreign Governments will be represented, will be opened in London tomorrow.

They will discuss the possibility of concluding an international convention to deal with the exemption from taxation of fuel and lubricants used in air traffic.

Sir Kingsley Wood, Secretary of State for Air, will probably preside.

The idea of the conference is to lower the cost of commercial transport by arriving at some agreement to lower the price of petrol at the airports where aeroplanes and international air liners refuel.—Reuter.

King to Launch New Capital Warship

Newcastle, Feb. 21.

Their Majesties arrived here at 10 a.m. this morning and were cheered by a huge crowd. This afternoon, the King will preside at the launching of the new capital ship H.M.S. George V.—Havas.

Japanese Bomb Hongkong Area Killing Eleven

British Demarche Made; Assurances Alleged Broken

London, Feb. 21.

The British Government have instructed their Ambassador in Tokyo, Sir Robert Craigie, to lodge a protest with the Japanese Government against the bombing of Hongkong territory by Japanese planes.

Official circles declare that they have no detailed information concerning this bombing, but are convinced that Sir Robert will be in possession of a full report when he sees the Japanese authorities.—Havas.

Hongkong Demarche

Hongkong, Feb. 21.

Maj.-Gen. A. E. Grasset, General Officer Commanding British Forces in China, this morning filed oral representations, through a Staff Officer, with Mr. Ichiro Ohta, acting Japanese-Consul-General here, over the bombing of British territory near the Chinese border by Japanese aircraft at about 9.30 o'clock this morning. He reserved to right to make further protests.

One Indian constable and ten Chinese were killed by the explosion of six bombs that fell into British territory when nine Japanese bombers attacked Shumchun, Chinese border town near the Kowloon Leased Territory.

Raining about seventy bombs in a period of forty minutes, the Japanese aeroplanes demolished Shumchun station and a radio station, while a huge conflagration swept the town soon after the raid, reports reaching here said. Ninety-eight persons were known to have been killed and 120 wounded in the attack of Shumchun.

Japanese Cross Border

Following the bombing raid, the Japanese machines were alleged to have crossed the border and machine-gunned a train proceeding north from Fengling near Lukhu. A bomb is also reported having been dropped by the Japanese aircraft.

According to a report received by the Canton-Kowloon Railway from Sheungsui, near where the bombing occurred, none of the passengers nor the crew of the train were injured.

British authorities were understood to be taking a serious view of the bombing and subsequent train attack which they were reported to contend was deliberate.

When calling on Mr. Ohta, the British Staff Officer is reported to have pointed out that the Japanese authorities had agreed in November to inform the British authorities when they were about to launch operations near the border.

Broken Assurances Recalled

He is also reported to have recalled the assurances given the Japanese consular authorities in Hongkong by the Canton Kowloon Railway Administration in January that its trains would not cross the border to Shumchun but would stop at Lukhu, which is in British leased territory.

These assurances were given the Japanese Consulate-General here by railway officials following the publication of a railway time table giving Shumchun, in Chinese territory, as the northern terminus of the line.

The British authorities at 11 o'clock this morning closed the border to prevent an influx of refugees, after 500 Chinese had crossed the frontier.—Domei.

Reports on Incident

Hongkong, Feb. 21.

Several bombs fell in British territory during an air raid on the Sumchun, a border village. This raid was carried out by two Japanese planes which formed a part of a squadron of nine machines which dropped missiles near a train on the Canton-Kowloon Railway on the British side of the border and also dropped bombs on a British-owned bridge. Neither objective was hit.

They are also said to have loosed bombs on the Kowloon-Canton highway and other points on the British side of the border, where the Royal Scot Regiment and the Kumaun Rifles are stationed. One bomb fell into an adjacent blockhouse, killing one Indian and several Chinese. A concentration of railway coaches nearby was badly damaged.

As far as it can be ascertained, seventeen bombs were dropped on the Chinese village of Sumchun, from where many wounded persons are heading for the British-leased territories.

The Japanese planes also bombed a mixed freight and passenger train between Fanling, popular golf course, and lawn, on the British side of the border. One bomb struck the permanent way, shattering carriage windows. It is believed there were no foreigners aboard the train. As the occupants fled into the fields, a plane is reported to have swooped down and machine-gunned them. Medical supplies have been sent to the border from Hongkong.

The Japanese Consul-General is referring the matter to the authorities in Canton.—Reuter.

Japanese Entry into Hoihow

Japanese troops are here shown making their triumphal entry into Hoihow the port of Kiungchow, the capital, after their surprise landing on Hainan Island on the morning of February 10.

Opium Dens Flourish in Western Badlands

Dope Hongs Spring Up Overnight as Japanese Bring Drugs from Hongkew; List of Dens Published

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

AMID the utter lawlessness now rampant in the aptly-named badlands of the Western district of Shanghai, where vice, violence and murder go hand in hand, a new and more sinister menace has reared its head, threatening the entire Chinese population of the district with complete demoralization. That meance is opium which, with the aid of the Japanese authorities now ruling these former Chinese-controlled districts, has been transported there to supply local opium hongs, which ply their nefarious trade quite openly and with the full consent of the authorities, who wax rich each month on the sums collected from the owners of the hongs.

There is little doubt that the situation in the badlands is rapidly deteriorating, despite the protests of the S.M.C. and the complaints voiced by foreign residents living on Municipal roads in the Western district, who have seen gambling hells and opium hongs spring up overnight, bringing with them the attendant reign of terror and the acts of violence and murder perpetrated by armed riff-raff, who have followed closely on their heels. Turning a blind eye to these protests, the outside authorities have forged steadily ahead with their plans and today the conditions there can only be described as terrible.

By far the most serious of the menaces is the narcotic trade. Wherever Japanese rule has been instituted the sale of opium and other drugs has become legal and, in Shanghai, the process of demoralization has set in and huge profits are being reaped by the authorities, who collect their tributes from owners of thriving opium hongs.

Japanese Demands

Attempts to establish opium hongs in the Western district, recent thorough investigations have proved, were made as far back as January 1938, but these plans did not materialize until late in November, 1938 when arrangements were made to establish eleven hongs. The delay in the formal opening was due to the failure of hong owners to meet the demands of the Japanese, who demanded the payment of $3,000 quarterly in advance as "deposit money."

After much wrangling between the authorities and the owners of the hongs, however, a start was made in the nefarious business and the eleven hongs were established in November last year. Today a total of 34 known hongs are reaping rich profits in the Western district and many more may be expected to be established in the future for the trade is a successful one, both for the owners and the Japanese.

Monthly Charges

Although the profits accruing from such businesses amount to many thousands of dollars monthly, not all of this goes to the owners who, if they wish to keep in business, must hand over to the local rulers a sum amounting to $500 a month. Another fact, too, which has brought protests from many directions is the fact that the opium is supplied by the Special Service Section of the Japanese Army and large quantities are known to have been transported from Hongkew.

Illustrating the Japanese efforts to encourage the business of the opium hongs was the fact that owners were ordered, in the first place, to pay to the authorities the sum of $1,000 a month from their profits. Later, when it was seen that this charge was exorbitant and that there was a chance of the trade decreasing, a reduction of $500 a month was ordered. Today the business is as thriving as ever, thanks to the reduction of charges introduced.

Heroin Smuggling

Owners of the hongs have become members of the Opium Hong Guild which was organized in the middle of December 1938 at 41 Kong Foh Li, Brenan Road, and which was removed on January 13 this year to 19 Zung Teh Fang, Jessfield Road. From the members of this guild the authorities are known to be obtaining a considerable income, which is used in order to defray the cost of military expenses. For this reason they have refused to hand over the control of the opium hongs to the "Reformed Government," in whose territory the dens flourish.

Apart from the opium hongs and gambling dens, a heroin smuggling centre under the name of the Tai Chong Cigarette and Exchange Shop was established last month at 477 Robison Road, corner of Penang Road. From information obtained it appears that this shop is operated by three Koreans, while a number of loafers in the Western district are engaged as sales agents.

Persons wishing to purchase heroin from this shop are required to pay these sales agents for the quantity they intend to buy and are then accompanied by them to the shop, where they receive the heroin in various quantities in cigarette packets.

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Commons Discuss Narcotics

Shanghai and North China Drug Traffic Position Unchanged

London, Feb. 20.

China figured prominently in discussions in the House of Commons today.

The rapid expansion of the narcotics trade in the Japanese-occupied area in Shanghai and other places in North China where the Japanese were in control, was the subject of many questions.

Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, said that reports received did not indicate a substantial modification of the position described on December 22. He was not, however, without hope that the Japanese authorities were now aware of the dangers attendant upon the increase of the drug traffic and may now be devising measures to meet them.

When asked whether enquiries had been completed relating to the Shanghai Inland Navigation Steamship Company, Mr. Butler said that Sir Herbert Phillips, the British Consul-General in Shanghai, had reported that the company was continuing to function but had met with a number of difficulties. It was being reorganized, he said, as a subsidiary of one of the holding companies promoted by the Japanese Government.

Financial Support Urged

The Japanese authorities, continued Mr. Butler, had been informed that the British Government did not admit their right to impose any system of control on British shipping in Chinese inland waters.

In replying to Mr. P. J. Noel-Baker, Labour member for Derby, Mr. Butler said that the matter of further measures of British financial support for China in pursuance with the League Assembly resolution of last September was still being considered. He regretted that he was not yet in a position to make a statement.

Mr. Noel-Baker commented that "if the British Government can do something, it will have a very wide support in this House and country."—Reuter.

Col. Beck May Visit Britain

London, Feb. 20.

No arrangements for a visit to this country by the Polish Foreign Minister, Col. Joseph Beck, have yet been definitely made and no official invitation has yet been extended. It is understood, however, that such a visit is being considered to review questions of a general nature affecting the relations between Poland and Great Britain.—Reuter.

Attempted Murder Charge Against Former Shanghai Man Dropped

Mr. Donald Burdick Confined to New York Mental Institution Since Shooting at Father-in-Law

Bridgeport, Conn., Feb. 20.

Charges of attempted murder against Mr. Donald Burdick, former Shanghai businessman prominent in polo and social circles, were dropped today.

Mr. Burdick has been confined to a New York mental institution since September, 1936, when he shot his father-in-law, Mr. Harry E. Byram, 75-year-old millionaire and former President of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy and the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railways. Mr. Byram suffered only a superficial face wound.

The shooting occurred after an argument between Mr. Burdick and his father-in-law regarding Mr. Byram's plans to marry a young motion picture actress. Mr. Byram escaped possible death by grappling with the former Shanghai businessman when he produced a gun.

Following the shooting Mr. Burdick crashed his car into a stone wall. His skull was fractured in the crash. He was placed under arrest immediately and held under bond of US$100,000, with a police guard stationed at his hospital bedside. Later he was transferred to the New York mental institution.

Mr. Byram married the young actress, his fifth wife, while still confined to bed with injuries sustained in the shooting. He is well-known in the Far East because of his extensive travels.

Mr. Burdick is believed to have objected to his father-in-law's proposed marriage on the grounds that at Mr. Byram's age it was not fair to his daughter, Mrs. Burdick, to bring another major heiress into the family.—United Press.

Conclave for New Pope Set for March 1

Vatican City, Feb. 21.

It is officially announced here that the Conclave to elect the new Pope will open on March 1. It will be attended by all of the 62 Cardinals.—Reuter.

Stormy Scenes at U.S. Bund Rally

Madison Square Area Crowded at Pro-Nazi Demonstration

New York, Feb. 20.

Violence both inside and outside Madison Square Garden marked the "Americanization" meeting of 20,000 members and sympathizers of the German-American Bund tonight.

While Bund leaders inside the spacious auditorium of Madison Square Garden were bitterly denouncing the Jews and lauding Nazism, thousands of anti-Nazis swarmed 49th and 50th Streets and 8th Avenue outside the Garden. They were held in check by 1,745 policemen. The police officers pushed back the mobs. Mounted police also helped to keep the crowd from storming the Garden. The police also were equipped with submachine-guns and tear-gas bombs.

Attempt to Attack Leader

Mr. Isadore Greenbaum of Brooklyn attempted to attack Mr. Fritz Kuhn, leader of the German-American Bund, but succeeded only in receiving a severe beating before being rescued by the police.

Mr. Greenbaum rushed at the speakers' platform as Mr. Kuhn was finishing his speech, but he failed to reach the Bund leader. Uniformed Bund Storm Troopers seized him, beating him with their fists and kicking him with their heavy boots when he fell under the onslaught. Police officers immediately rushed into the fray and hurried Mr. Greenbaum from the building, escorting him into a police station for safe-keeping.

During the struggle with the Bund members, Mr. Greenbaum lost his trousers. At the police station he was entered on a charge of disorderly conduct.

Another incident occurred inside the Madison Square Garden auditorium when police were forced to escort Miss Dorothy Thompson, prominent columnist of the "New York Herald Tribune" and wife of the famous author, Mr. Sinclair Lewis.

She was led out of the hall under police protection because the audience objected to her laughing at the comments of the speakers and also because she made audible comments which were not complimentary to Germany.

Miss Thompson is known to be a severe critic of the Nazi regime, having been expelled from Germany because of her outburst against the Reich in leading American magazines and newspapers.

Mysterious Broadcaster

Long before the meeting started, crowds began gathering near the Garden and hundreds of police were rushed to the area to control the mobs.

Early in the evening the crowds in the streets heard a mysterious booming voice denouncing Chancellor Adolf Hitler. The voice was heard outside Madison Square Garden. The denunciation of the Fuehrer was followed by the playing of the "Star Spangled Banner," the American national anthem.

Police and detectives rushed wildly about before discovering the "speaker," which proved to be an automatic phonograph planted in a room on the second floor of a building on 49th Street. There was nobody in the room when the police broke in.

Mr. G. W. Kunz, national organizer of the German-American Bund, demanded the radio stations "cease giving the people the trash of the Winchells, Cantors and the like, and give them the voice of one who does not speak the American language with a Jew acent."

Mr. Kunz referred to Mr. Walter Winchell, famous columnist of the "New York Mirror" who has thousands of followers and who also broadcasts his gossip on a nation-wide radio network. Mr. Eddie Cantor, well-known stage and screen comedian, also is a radio artist who appears nightly in radio skits.

Nazis Attack Jews in U.S.

Mr. Kuhn in his address attacked the Jews, saying, "America should be returned to the Christians who founded it. The time will come when nobody will stand in our way."

Another Bund leader, Mr. Rudolf Markmann, head of the Eastern District of the Bund, also raged against the Jews. He denied that the Bund was seeking Nazism for the the United States. "Nazism," he said, "is reserved for Germany and is not for export. We will fight international Jewry in every country."—United Press.

Marquis Li Assassinated

Retired Statesman, Businessman is Killed On Sinza Road; Friend Escapes Injury

MR. Li Koh-jih, better known throughout the Far East as Marquis Li, was shot and killed at 3.45 p.m. yesterday afternoon and died from four shot wounds, at 4.45 p.m. at the Red Cross hospital to where he had been rushed in an emergency ambulance.

A friend who was walking by Marquis Li's side at the time of the brutal attack, escaped uninjured and was still at the Bubbling Well police station late last night, assisting detectives in charge of the case, in finding a possible motive for the murder. Marquis Li was, as far as the police were able to establish in no way connected with any political faction, having lived in retirement for some years and devoting his time to the cult of Buddhism.

Marquis Li, who, according to investigating detectives under Det.-Insp. Tabrum, never left his residence except once or twice a week, when he went to one of several Buddhist temples, had left his home at 1130 Sinza Road at about 3.40 p.m. yesterday, in the company of a friend, as he wanted to visit a physician residing on Gordon Road. About 30 yards from the intersection of Gordon and Sinza Roads, two men rushed up from behind and one of them drew a pistol, firing a number of shots at point blank range. Marquis Li sagged to the ground with one wound in the head, just above the left eye and three other wounds on the rest of the body. The assailants made good their escape whilst a policeman on point duty nearby, summoned an emergency ambulance which conveyed the victim to the Red Cross hospital on Avenue Haig, where he expired at 4.45 p.m.

No Political Motive

Police officials questioned last night, said that they could find no indication to the effect that the deceased had in any way been connected with the "Reformed Government" or any other political faction. Ever since he had retired from business life, a few years ago, Marquis Li had become a fervent Buddhist and had devoted his whole life to this religion, never even leaving his home except on a number of regular weekly visits to temples.

No information was available last night as to whether the assassin's weapon had any previous criminal history but it was definitely established that the weapon used was a .32 calibre automatic pistol.

Rumours current last night, to the effect that Marquis Li was connected with gambling enterprises in the Western district, were denied by close friends of the deceased as well as police officers in charge of the case who, it appeared last night, seemed to have definitely establsihed that Marquis Li was never connected either with the "Ta Tao" Government or any gambling enterprise in the Western District.

Held Government Positions

Marquis Li was born at Hofei, Anhwei, in 1881 as the eldest grandson of Marquis Li Hung-chang from whom he inherited his title. He was made Assistant Chamberlain, commanding the Palace Guard in 1901, and later became the Senior Councillor of the Board of Agriculture, Works and Commerce. From 1910 to 1912, he was Chinese Minister to Belgium and was known to finance from his own pockets, the studies of many Chinese students in Belgium during the Revolution in 1911 when they saw their Government allowances discontinued. In 1914, Marquis Li became a member of the Advisiory Council to the President, retiring from politics in 1924, when he settled in Shanghai and took a keen interest in the China Merchants Steamship Navigation Co., which had been established by his grandfather and of which he was the managing director, for many years. At different times, the Marquis was also connected with various other commercial and industrial enterprises in Shanghai.

Faced Court

In 1932, Marquis Li faced the Kiangsu High Court on a charge of signing an allegedly illegal agreement with the China Realty Company for a loan of $30,000,000 on behalf of the China Merchants Steamship Navigation Co. He was sentenced to three years and six months imprisonment and was ordered to pay $750,000, but appealed against the sentence and in April 1935, the sentence was reduced to fourteen months' imprisonment and $750,000.

An inquest on his body is to be held at the public mortuary on Kiaochow Road, this morning and no arrangements have as yet been made for the funeral. The deceased had very many friends in the foreign and Chinese communities in Shanghai.

From Chinese sources it was learned last night, that some time ago, the Japanese authorities had offered the Marquis a ministerial post in the new "Nanking Government" but that this offer was rejected. About three weeks ago, it was rumoured that Marquis Li was to be appointed Superintendent of the Chinese Maritime Customs, but so far, there are not the slightest indications to the effect that the deceased was about to take up this post.

Capt. Wiedemann Leaves For Post in U.S.

Importance of Mission Stressed at Farewell

Berlin, Feb. 21.

Capt. Fritz Wiedemann, who in the past has undertaken several important missions on behalf of Herr Hitler, is leaving Hamburg today to take up the post of German Consul-General in San Francisco.

At a farewell reception given by the Karl Schurz Society, Herr Draeger, the Vice-President, said the fact that the man "selected for this important post in West America enjoys a particular degree of confidence with the Fuehrer indicates the importance of his task."

Schurz, after whom the Society takes its name, was a famous German-American who fought in the American Civil War.—Reuter.

Latest Exchange

London, Feb. 21.

"Spot" silver declined slightly today, while "Forward" remained unchanged, with quotations being fixed at:—

	Feb. 20	Feb. 21
London spot	20¾d.	20 11/16d.
" forward	19⅞d.	19⅞d.
" gold	148/5d.	148/4½d.
London/New York:		
One pound	U.S.$4.6862	$4.6865
One U.S. dollar	51.214d.	51.210d.

—Reuter.

Sunday's Shooting Not Political

Former Lover of Dancer Believed to Have Been Assailant of Japanese

"This shooting was definitely not of a political nature," said a very senior official of the Settlement police, when questioned by the "North-China Daily News" yesterday afternoon, with regard to the motives behind the shooting which took place in front of the Kwan Sen Yuan Cantonese restaurant, on Nanking Road near Fokien Road on Sunday afternoon, when three Japanese, one of them a woman, were injured by an unidentified gunman who shot through the windows of the taxi in which the three had just seated themselves preparatory to returning to Hongkew.

According to other sources, it seems definitely established that the gunman was a Korean, even the chauffeur of the motorcar, in his statement to the police, is quoted as having said that he thought the desperado to be a Japanese or a Korean.

It was furthermore inferred by very reliable sources yesterday that the injured girl, was a taxi-dancer of some renown, speaking excellent English and that everything indicated that a former admirer, was responsible for the shooting.

As will be remembered, a correspondent at the Japanese press conference on Monday evening, raised the point of the profession of the girl, whereupon the spokesman allowed him to go no further with the query, by saying: "We don't need to listen any more to that. Investigations by the Japanese Military Police, show that it is an attempt to distort the facts. It is unnecessary to finish the question."

Soviet Fears German Baltic Activities

Berlin Denies Alleged Purchase of Island

Moscow, Feb. 20.

The strategic importance of the Finnish Kotka Isles was stressed today in the "Krasny Flot," mouthpiece of the Soviet Admiralty, following rumours that the Reich had purchased from Finland a small island in the Finnish Gulf about 200 kilometres from Leningrad.

The newspaper stressed that capital-ships of the Deutschland type can anchor in good harbours in the Kotka Isles and that such bases may be especially developed for use by seaplanes.

German engineers, it says, had built a series of aerodromes in Finland by far beyond the normal needs of that country.

Referring to the remilitarization of the Aaland Isles, the "Krasny Flot" says "German imperialism has obained the remilitarization of this archipelago."—Havas.

Berlin Denies Purchase

Berlin, Feb. 20.

Competent German quarters here categorically denied today reports from Moscow, that the Reich had purchased a Finnish isle near the Kotka Islands and some 200 kilometres from Leningrad.—Havas.

National Youth Rally In London

Trafalgar Square Filled With 2,000 Pilgrims

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Feb. 20.

Trafalgar Square rang with almost every accent in Great Britain when 2,000 pilgrims arrived for the National Youth Campaign rally. The pilgrims included Welsh miners, Scottish fisher lassies and undergraduates. Many of the men and girls wore shorts.

Mr. Jack Simmons, of the University Labour Federation, in a speech to the audience of 5,000, said: "We will fight for international law and democracy, We will give our services for the best protection of the people, but we will not be accomplices in the recognition of General Franco and the destruction of democracy throughout the world."

Mr. S. O. Davies, Labour M.P. for Merthyr-Tydfil, welcomed the National Youth Campaign on behalf of the older generation.

Later, a wreath, inscribed with the words "To the Youth of 1914-1918 from the Youth of 1939," was placed at the Cenotaph.—Reuter.

British Naval Chiefs Confer with Premier

Viscount Gort Reports to King George on Tour

London, Feb. 20.

British naval chiefs conferred with Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Prime Minister, at No. 10 Downing Street this morning.

They included Lord Stanhope, First Lord of the Admiralty; Lord Chatfield, Minister for the Co-ordination of Defence, and Sir Roger Backhouse, First Sea Lord.

His Majesty the King today received Viscount Gort, Chief of the Imperial General Staff, at Buckingham Palace. He is understood to have discussed Viscount Gort's recent tour of Palestine and the Near East, in which he inspected British defences in those parts of the world.

His Majesty also received Teufik, Pasha Elhouda, Chief Minister of Trans-Jordan.—Reuter.

Servant Killed by Extortioners

Meat-Choppers Used To Mutilate Body When Victim Refuses To Pay

Mystery surrounds the discovery yesterday morning of the brutally mutilated body of Sun Tsang-ching, 41 year-old servant, who was killed during the night from Monday to Tuesday, by a band of three men who called on him at his home, House 5, Tseu Ka Ze village, off Route Pershing.

French police officers, who were called to the address by neighbours, believed that an affair which Sun was said to have had with a woman was responsible for the murder.

Although nothing definite is known as yet, the present theory on which detectives in charge of the case are now working is, that the three men visited the victim during the night and demanded of him the sum of $200 in return for which they promised to keep silent about his affair. Sun refused to pay even part of this initial demand, according to investigations made so far, whereupon the three visitors are believed to have assaulted him with meat choppers. Death was believed to have been almost instantaneous.

Relatives and friends of the deceased are now being questioned by the police in an effort finally to track down the murderers.

The body, meanwhile, has been removed to the public mortuary.

FUNERAL

Mr. Jean Gilis

In the presence of many mourners funeral services were held on Monday morning for the late Mr. Jean Gilis at the Church of Saint Pierre and at the grave in Lokawei Cemetery, with the Rev. Father F.M. de Chalain officiating. The chief mourner was his widow, Mrs. Jeanne Gilis. Mr. Gilis spent 20 years in the service of the French Municipality as Chief of Municipal Infirmeries. For many years he was a keen volunteer fireman and for some time held the rank of Captain in the French Volunteer Fire Brigade. At the time of his death, which occurred at the Hospital St. Marie last Friday, he was proprietor of the Pharmacie Nouvelle in the Bearne Building.

Many prominent representatives of various French Institutions were present, including Mr. M. Baudez, Consul-General for France, Comdt. L. Fabre, Directeur des Services de Police, Capt. A. Royère, French Fire Brigade. In the procession from the church to the cemetery were detachments from the French Fire Brigade, the Shanghai Fire Brigade and French forces. Six close friends acted as pall-bearers. Among those sending flowers were:—

Jeanne; A mon Parrain Chéri; Germaine, Mélanie, et Marthe Le Chargé d'Affaires de France; Le Consul-Général de France; La Municipalite Française; Le Directeur des Services de Police; Le President et les Members de la Commission Provisoire d'Administration Municipale de la Concession Française de Shanghai; Les Officiers, Sous-Officiers, Caporaux et Sapeurs, Compagnie de Pompiers; Infirmerie Municipale (Personnel Service); Le Personnel des Services de la Police Française; Le Comite et les Membres du Cercle Français; Compagnie de Pompiers le Garde Français; Cercle Francais; Cercle Sportif Français; The Officers Shanghai Fire Brigade; Pharmacie-Nouvelle; Zeng Hing, Y. Z. Wang, P. L. Pao; M. et Mme. Louis Agnel; M. et Mme. Agnel, André et leur fille; M. et Mme. Henry A. Anette, Mme. et M. Andre Barbarot; M. et Mme. Julien Barraud; M. et Mme. A. Berenguier; La famille Berge; Mme. et M. Pierre Bellande; Madame Henry Braley; Madame Suzanne Braley; M. et Mme. A Brun; M. et Mme. Henry Civet; Mr. Clements and Miss Clements; Mme. et M. A. Cormier; M. et Mme. A. K. Delant; M. et Mme. Jean Donné; M. et Mme. Edouard Ducoudray; Mme. et M. Agnel Etienne; Commandant L. Fabre, Directeur des Services de Police; Madame A. Gioulis et famille; Madame L. Golomb; Madame J. Hamon; Mr. A. Hannon, Municipalité Française; Rné Jarno; M. R. Jobez, Directeur-Adjoint des Services de Police; M. et Mme. Albert Jourdan; Mr. F. Leginasse; J. A. Lorenzi; Mme. et M. Louis Louzier; Madame et Docteur Jean Maiyal; M. et Mme. Gustave Maniyel; Paul Valentin et Madame; N. Shlapakoff, Pao; Mr. et Mme. E. Sigaut; M. et Mme. Mezergues; M. et Mme. Monchatre; Mme. et M. E. Morelieras; Dr. Tchao Kai-Chou; Mr. Tchang Tse ling; Zao Ah Pao; M. Pavich and Family; M. et Mme. Pellen; Dr. Friedrich Philipp; Madame Vva S. Pozzecco; Mme. et M. Charles Rémuzat; Mme. et Mr. Jean Le Rouz, etle personnel Tonkinois et Chinois de l'Infirmerie Municipale; A. M. Royère; M. et Mme. Joseph Sauvayre et famille; N. Shlapakoff Pao; and others.

Funeral arrangements were under the direction of the International Funeral Directors.

Delicate Conversations Over Recent Protest

Mr. Miura and Mr. Franklin Discuss Situation

Replying to a questioner, who enquired if the Japanese authorities had received any reply from Mr. C. S. Franklin, Chairman of the S.M.C., in connection with the protest lodged by Mr. Y. Miura, Japanese Consul-General, on Sunday against recent outrages in the Settlement, an Embassy spokesman at the Japanese press conference last night stated that Mr. Miura had had conversations with Mr. Franklin but the trend of these had been so delicate that he did not wish to discuss them at the present.

The matter, he continued, was being studied. Asked if the Japanese contemplated any military action in the Settlement, the spokesman replied that at the moment he could not give any information on this point.

A detailed report on the Chen Loh shooting in the Western district on Sunday was also given by the spokesman, who stated that investigations had provided no further details than had been published. He added that in connection with the shooting several arrests had been made by the S.M.P., who were co-operating with the Japanese Military Police.

The Military Affairs Commission has accorded posthumous honours to Mr. Chow Ping-wei, a noted gentleman of Changsha, who was a Chinese medical practitioner, for an act of patriotism by which he intended to encourage his descendants, says a Chungking Chinese message to the "Yi Pao." Mr. Chow, who never ceased complaining that he was too old to serve his country, lived up to his pledge that if Hankow fell, he would leap into the river and drown himself.

Kuling Evacuation Commences

The evacuation of members of the foreign community at Kuling will take place today, a Japanese military spokesman announced yesterday at the Japanese press conference.

From reports received from Kiukiang, he added, the evacuation would be carried out under the supervision of British and American naval officers.

The spokesman said that some of the foreigners in Kuling had decided to stay behind and there had been a report of the founding of a neutral zone to which these foreigners could proceed in the event of bombing operations being carried out over the city.

Major Air Battle Over Lanchow

Japanese Claim Thirty-six Chinese Machines Downed; Fourteen Raiders Crashed

Raiding Lanchow, the important base on the Sino-Soviet "Red Route," Japanese Army aircraft on Monday afternoon shot down 36 Chinese aeroplanes in aerial combat besides destroying various military establishments and aerodrome facilities, a communiqué issued by the headquarters of the Japanese Expeditionary Force to Central China at noon yesterday claimed. This was the second mass aerial attack on Lanchow in a week.

One Japanese bomber, hit by Chinese bullets, deliberately crashed into a Chinese military establishment, blowing up the structure, the announcement said. This machine, it was understood, carried a crew of seven.

The Japanese air armada, consisting of "scores" of 'planes, the communiqué stated, circled above Lanchow from 2.45 o'clock on Monday afternoon to 3.05 o'clock, bombing the aerodrome and other military establishments. Chinese machines on the ground were also destroyed in addition to those shot down in combat.

Soviet Machines and Pilots

Between "40 to 50" Chinese combat machines engaged the Japanese raiders in aerial fights. Thirty-six Chinese 'planes were shot down, the communiqué asserted.

According to a Domei dispatch from an unnamed Japanese air base, all the Chinese machines that engaged the attackers in combat were of Soviet manufacture and were manned by Russian pilots.

With the exception of one machine, all the Japanese bombers that participated in this operation, the communiqué said, returned to their base, although many showed traces of a fierce engagement.

The Japanese machine that went into a "suicide dive," Domei said, carried a crew of two captains and five non-commissioned officers.

Chinese Version

Fourteen Japanese 'planes were shot down during the aerial fight, according to Chinese reports from the Kansu capital. Five 'planes were shot down in the afternoon while four others were damaged, as smoke was seen coming out from two of them.

One of the reports stated that five Chinese airmen were wounded in the combat but there was no mention as to whether any Chinese 'planes were damaged or destroyed.

Japanese 'planes said to number about 30 invaded Kansu shortly before and during noon. The invading machines came in three groups and Chinese 'planes quickly took off. Two leading Japanese 'planes were shot down in short order and they fell near the eastern outskirts of the city, it is claimed.

While the Japanese 'planes were escaping, Chinese 'planes took up the chase and shot down seven more machines. Two reports describing the air fight have the same facts but one of them adds that so far four Japanese 'planes which were shot down have been found.

Another report describes the aerial combat at about 3 p.m. when Japanese 'planes again invaded the border city in three groups. The first nine 'planes retreated after a fight but three of the 12 'planes which came later were shot down. Two Japanese 'planes were severely damaged. When the third group of Japanese 'planes came Chinese airmen fought with more enthusiasm than before and again they shot down two Japanese 'planes. Two Japanese 'planes in the third group were damaged, as they were concealed in white smoke.

Condition of Wounded Japanese Photographer

A Japanese military spokesman last night, referring to the wounding of two Japanese photographers, attached to the Japanese army, and a woman companion outside the Kwang Sen Yuan restaurant in Nanking Road on Sunday afternoon when they were fired at by an Oriental assailant, stated that an attempt was made yesterday to extract the bullet which had lodged in the arm of Mr. Jiichi Koyanagai, one of the wounded men, the operation lasting one and one half hours.

He added that the bullet was not apparently a regulation one containing a nickel nose but a kind which was designed to explode and collapse upon impact. Three large pieces and quantities of smaller pieces had been extracted. It was possible, he added, that Mr. Koyanagai would lose the use of his arm. The injured girl, the spokesman added, was not in any danger.

Chinese Actress Dies In Prison

Peiping, Feb. 20.

Reliable Chinese sources report that Miss Hsin Yen-chiu, an actress who was arrested after the attempt on the life of Mr. Miao Pin in the Chi Hsiang theatre some weeks ago, has died in prison.

Miss Hsin was arrested by Japanese gendarmes shortly after the attempt on Mr. Miao's life, during which Mr. Kuan Chin-ling was killed.—Reuter.

Airliner in Which Four Died

A view of the charred wreckage of the Northwest Airliner which crashed in a dry gully a few minutes after it had taken off on a short flight. The pilot, co-pilot and two passengers were killed. Eyewitnesses said the plane burst into flames when it struck the ground.

Washington's Birth Celebrated

American Community Observe National Day; Reception and Dance

The American community in Shanghai will celebrate today the anniversary of George Washington's birthday, the chief observance being a reception at the Columbia Country Club where the American Consul-General, Mr. Clarence E. Gauss, will receive members of the American community in Shanghai.

The day will be observed as a general holiday by all Americans in the city and the offices of the U.S. Consulate-General and those of many American business institutions will be closed. No special celebrations are being organized by the members of the United States Marine Corps in Shanghai although they will observe the day as a general holiday.

Last night at the American Club a Washington Birthday Ball, at which were present the leading members of the American community in Shanghai, took place. Included in the list of guests were Col. J. C. Fegan, commander of the Fourth United States Marines, who brought a party of 53, including Admiral H. E. Yarnell, commander of the United States Asiatic Fleet, Mr. C. E. Gauss, U.S. Consul-General, Judge M. J. Helmick and others.

In honour of the occasion the club was tastefully decorated with American flags and many multi-coloured baskets of flowers. Music in the ballroom was provided by the Fourth Marines orchestra while there was also music on the first and ground floors of the building, which had been converted into lounges and sitting out places.

Threatening Letter Case in Court

On suspicion that they had written an extortion letter to a Chinese transportation company at the Garden Villa, Yu Yuen Road, by posing as guerillas, two persons are being detained by the First Special District Court and the hearing is to take place on February 28.

Accused Hung Jen-chuan and Tao Chuen-ju, were arrested last week by officers attached to Bubbling Well Police Station in a French Concession street where they were said to be meeting a representative of their victim from whom they expected to obtain $1,500.

It was revealed in court that three men recently went to the company and left a letter. Upon opening it the manager was surprised to learn that it was sent by extortioners demanding $1,500. The letter stated that the company had been dealing with the Japanese and explained that it was written at the instigation of the commander of a guerilla unit who wanted "military funds," to support his men.

Port of Haimen Closed by Boom

The port of Haimen has been closed by the Japanese naval authorities, it was revealed at the Japanese press conference yesterday. A boom had been erected at the entrance to the harbour on February 19, a naval spokesman stated, and foreign Powers had been notified that this measure had been taken because of military necessity.

Answering questions, the spokesman stated that supplies had been reaching the Chinese troops through Haimen. No attempt to land at Haimen had been made he concluded.

Salvation Army Drive Continues Advancing

Appeal is Expected to Go Well Over $50,000 Mark

The fund of the Salvation Army is expected to pass the coveted $50,000 mark today, the total in hand yesterday mounting to the impressive figure of $49,916, it was announced by the directors of the campaign, Brigadier B. Morris and Major Colin K. Begley.

Donations are being accepted at Appeal Headquarters, 57 Nanking Road. Yesterday's largest donation was $205 and came from the foreign staff of the Yee Tsoong Tobacco Co., Ltd. Early in the campaign the company donated a large sum to the cause. The second largest donation was $182, from the staff of the American Asiatic Underwriters, and the third largest donation, $120, from the staff of the National City Bank of New York. Sir Allan and Lady Mossop were among the $100 donors, and the sum of $57 came from the staff of the Public and Thomas Hanbury School for Girls.

During the campaign Brigadier Morris and Major Harris have been ably assisted by Major C. Sowton. Adjutant and Mrs. Hugo Wessels, Mrs. Morris, Mrs. Begley and Chinese officers and workers.

The new list of donations follows:

Previously Acknowledged	$47,734.18
Foreign Staff, Yee Tsoong Tobacco Co.	205.50
Staff, American Asiatic Underwriters	182.00
Staff, National City Bank of N.Y.	120.00
Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Gomersall	100.00
American Asiatic Underwriters	100.00
Sir Allan and Lady Mossop	100.00
Staff, Public & Thos. Hanbury School for Girls	57.00
E. J. Clark	50.00
Banque Franco-Chinoise por le Commerce et l'Industrie	50.00
China General Edison Co.	50.00
Brandt and Rodgers	50.00
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Miss Christino Brunemeier	50.00
Rev. and Mrs. G. C. Crawford, Soochow	50.00
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Messrs. Egal & Cie.	20.00
Staff, S.M.C. Polytechnic School	18.64
Mrs. R. F. C. Masters	15.00
Messrs. Ringler & Co.	15.00
Messrs. E. and D. Toeg	15.00
Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Lintilhac	15.00
Miss R. E. Naylor	15.00
Mrs. Francis A. Cox	15.00
Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Gholson	10.00
Dr. and Mrs. T. J. Ling	10.00
Anonymous	10.00
Rev. E. G. Tewskbury	10.00
"Friend"	10.00
Mrs. H. J. Moysey	10.00
Mr. Sandt	10.00
E. W. Miller	10.00
Anonymous	10.00
Staff, North British & Mercantile Ins. Co.	10.00
A. Thoreson	10.00
Davies, Brooke and Gran	10.00
Mr. Watson and Buddy	10.00
K. Enssle	10.00
G. Poletti	10.00
M.M.H.K.	10.00
Harold G. B. Perry	10.00
Anonymous	5.00
Anonymous	5.00
Elliot Hazzard	5.00
L. K. Ku's Purchasing Agency	5.00
L. F. Lopes	5.00
"A Friend"	2.00
"Friend"	2.00
Total	$49,916.32

OBITUARY

Mr. Paul Myron Linebarger

Washington, Feb. 20.

Mr. Paul Myron Linebarger, well-known lawyer and author, died here today. He was at one time the legal adviser of Dr. Sun Yat-sen and the Chinese National Government.—Reuter.

Fruit Is Good For Children. But Watch It!

Fresh fruit is good for children, they should be encouraged to eat it. But they should also be warned to avoid fruit which is damaged, under or overripe, for this is a frequent source of 'tummy' trouble.

If your little one is out-of-sorts through something he has eaten, give him a dose of Baby's Own Tablets, which is usually all that is needed quickly to put him right again.

These pleasant-tasting tablets are a child specialist's prescription, guaranteed free from any harmful ingredient, and are intended for the correction of the minor ills of childhood, such as constipation, upset stomach, diarrhoea, simple fever, wind, colic, worms and teething troubles.

Parents in many parts of the world rely on this pure, efficacious specific to keep their little ones happy and healthy. Baby's Own Tablets are obtainable at chemists everywhere.

New Year Armed Robbery Only Nets $30 Loot

Availing themselves of the Chinese New Year to perpetrate an armed robbery, from which they doubtless expected a larger loot, three men, two of them armed with automatic pistols, entered room 56 456 Kiukiang Road, at about 10.30 o'clock yesterday morning and after intimidating the inmates, managed to make good their escape with clothing and money valued at $30. No shots were fired and no arrests made. The desperadoes spoke the Shanghai dialect.

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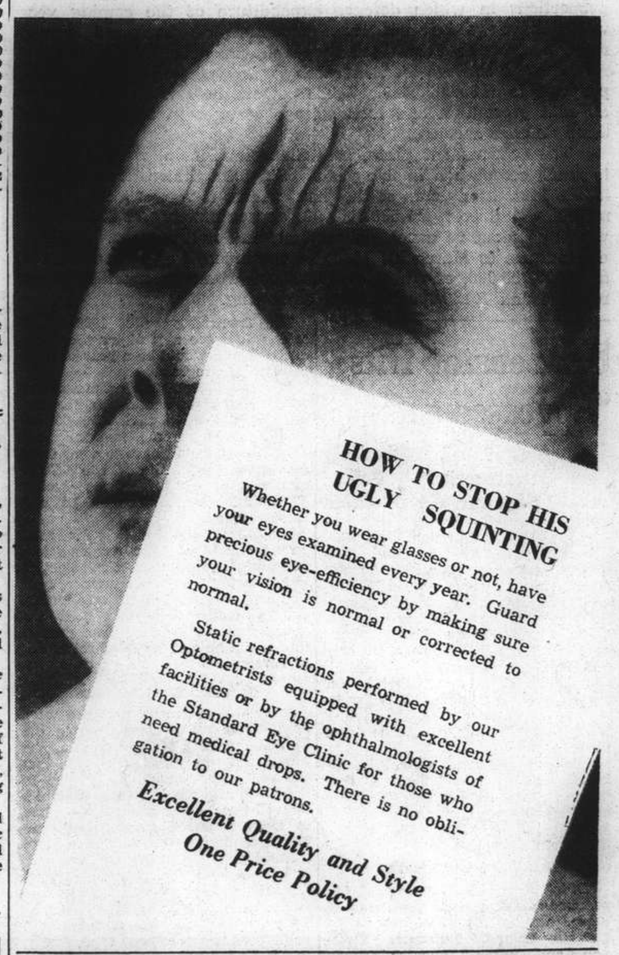

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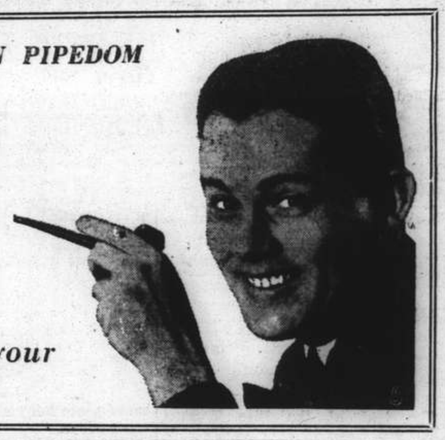

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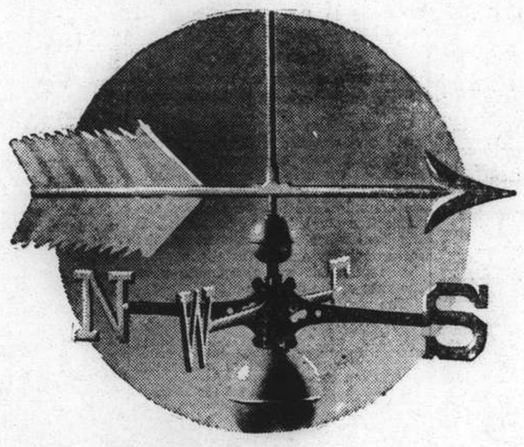

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Money and Exchange

Foreign Money Rates

London:		Feb. 20.
Fine Bank Bills,	3 months	0 9/16%
Bank Bills,	6 months	0 21/32%
Fine Trade Bills,	3 months	2¾%
" " "	6 months	3¼%
Call Money		0½%
New York:		
Bankers' Acceptances for 1, 2 and 3 months		0½%B
		0 7/16%A
Bankers' Acceptances for 4 months		0 9/16%B
		0½%A
Call Money		1%

B—Bid. A—Asked.—Reuter.

Foreign Exchanges

Bombay Rupee T. T. on:			Feb. 20.
Japan	78⅜	London	1/5 31/64
New York	286	2 mths.	
Shanghai	47¾	" (Sellers)	1/5 27/64
Hongkong	65¾	" (Buyers)	1/5 31/64

London & Sterling T. T. on:			
New York	468.68	Shanghai	8 5/16d/N
Paris	176.96	Bombay	1/5 31/64
Berlin	11.67½	Hongkong	1/2 13/16
Amsterdam	8.74½	Singapore	2/3 13/16
Brussels	27.82½	Yokohama	1/2
Madrid	100.00	" (Buying)	Unq.
Milan	89.05	C'slovakia	136.75 S
Berne	20.62¼	S—Sellers	

New York U.S.$ T. T. on:			
Berlin	40.14	Japan	27.34
Spain	Unq.	Shanghai	16.00
Holland	54.58½	Austria	Unq.
Paris	2.64 11/16	C'slovakia	3.42⅞
Brussels	16.84½	Hungary	19.80
Italy	5.26¼	Rumania	0.73
Szerland	22.72	Yugo Slavia	2.30
Sweden	24.15	Greece	0.86
Norway	23.55	Bulgaria	1.25
Denmark	20.92	Finland	2.07
Montreal	99.515	Poland	18.91
Brazil	5.90		
London			4.68¾
London Demand			4.68 11/16
London Bankers' 60 days bills			4.68 5/32
London Commercial 60 days bills			4.68 3/32
Buenos Aires Paper			29.07
Buenos Aires Paper, Market rate			23.05
Montreal on London			4.71

—Reuter.

Manila Gold Shares

(Bids in Pesos)

Feb. 21	Closing Prices a.m. Closing	p.m. Closing
Antamok	.43	.45
Atok	.35	.345
Balatoc	9.60	9.60
Patong Buhay	.021	.021
Benguet Consolidated	13.50	13.50
Big Wedge	.33	.335
Coco Grove	.45	.455
Demonstration	.16	.165
I X L	.63	.64
Masbate	.16	.16
North Camarines	.66	.65
San Mauricio	1.78	1.80
Surigao Consolidated	.27	.27
Surigao Con.	.26	.22
Suyoc	.215	.215
United Paracale	.66	66

Turnover: 439,000 Pesos.—Reuter.

U.S. Commodities

Monday's Closing Quotations

New York, Feb. 20.

The cotton market again presented a narrow appearance, with traders holding off until the present situation regarding the 1939 crop programme is clarified. Final prices ranged from three points up to one down, compared with Saturday's levels.

The action of securities exerted a depressing influence on the rubber market, where, after a slightly lower opening, prices continued to sag in a generally quiet session. However, it was considered the outlook remained favourable, and sentiment was good. Closing quotations were from 15 to 17 points off, compared with the previous close.

Wheat futures in Chicago ruled steady, but trading was featureless. At the final bell, price changes ranged from ⅜ to ½ cent up.

New York Cotton			New York Rubber		
Mar.	8.48-48	+03	Mar.	16.17-17	—15
May	8.10-10	+02	May	16.16-17	—15
July	7.83-83	+02	July	16.13-15	—17
Oct.	7.40-40	+01		B/A	
Dec.	7.35-36	—01	Sept.	16.14-14	—17
Jan.	7.36-38	+001			

New York Sugar No. 4			New York Silk		
			May	1.12½-13	+3
Mar.	1.13½-14	+1		B/A	
	B/A		Feb.	2.06-07½	—½
				B/A	

Chicago Wheat			Chicago Corn		
May	68⅝-68¾	+½	May	49¾-49¾	+⅝
July	68¾-68⅞	+⅜	July	51-51	+⅝
Sept.	69⅜-69¾	+½	Sept.	51½-51½	+⅜

Winnipeg Wheat

May	63¼-63⅜	+⅜
July	63⅞-64	+¼
Oct.	64⅜-63⅝	+¼

—Reuter.

British Commodities

Monday's Closing Quotations

London, Feb. 20.

Among commodities, jute ruled weak in sympathy with Calcutta but business here was negligible. Sugar was steadier on a better enquiry for actual to outports, which induced a little local covering.

London Rubber: Spot, buyers 8 1/16 unchanged; sellers 8⅛ —1/16; March del. buyers 8 1/16 unchanged; sellers 8⅛ —1/16.

London Sugar (Buyers): March 6/1¼ +1; May 6/1¼ +1¼; August 6/1 +2½.

Liverpool Wheat: Mar. 4/6 —⅜; May 4/7½ —⅛; July (New Contract) 4/6⅞ +⅛.

Liverpool Cotton: American Futures: 4.84 +2; May 4.77 +1; 4.61 +2; Sept. 4.49 unch. Egyptian Futures (Giza, F.G.F. No. 7) No. 2 contract: Mar. 6.76 +2; May 6.87 +3; July 6.92 +3; Sept. 6.92 +3.

London Metals: Copper, Standard, cash, sellers £42¼ +⅛; 3 mths. sellers £42 9/16 +⅛; Electrolytic, buyers £47¼ +¼; sellers £48¼ +¼; Tin, Standard, cash, sellers £214 +½; 3 mths. sellers £213¾ +½; Lead, Foreign, official price, sellers £14 3/16 +⅛; 3 mths. del. official price, sellers £14½ unchanged; Spelter, Ordinary, official price, sellers £13 11/16 +⅛; 3 mths. delivery, official price, sellers £14 +⅛.—Reuter.

British Rubber Stocks

London, Feb. 20.

Stocks of rubber in Great Britain on February 18 were placed at 75,772 tons, compared with 78,718 tons last week. The stock of rubber in London on that date totalled 48,541 tons, showing a decrease of 2,215 tons, while Liverpool stocks, with a total of 27,231 tons, revealed also a decrease of 731 tons.

British rubber deliveries during the week ended February 19 amounted to 4,236 tons against 2,070 tons the previous week. Deliveries in London during the period under review totalled 2,875 tons, showing an increase of 1,782 tons over last week. Liverpool deliveries, with a total of 1,361 tons, revealed a gain of 384 tons.—Reuter.

London Stocks

Monday's Closing Quotations

London, Feb. 20.

The new account opened quiet on the Stock Exchange today, with traders not willing to extend their commitments. British gilt-edged securities eased, while home industrials encountered a modest general demand. Cable and Wireless stocks, after easing, recovered in spite of the disappointing January traffic index, which was the lowest yet recorded for that month.—Reuter.

	Feb. 17	20
War Loan 3½% (Red.)	£97½	97⅝
JAPANESE BONDS		
Japan 5% Stg. Loan, 1907	45½	45
Japan 6% Stg. Loan, 1924	50½	50½
COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL		
Allied Ironfounders	18/6	18/6
Armstrong Stevens	7/9	7/9
Assoc. & Elec. Indus.	39/9	40/3
Austin Motors, ord.	28/9	29/3
Bristol Aeroplane, ord.	22/10½	23/3
British American Tob.	96/3	97/6
Cable & W., new form	40½	41
Cammell Laird, ord.	8/-	8/-
Courtaulds	27/7½	27/6XD
Distillers	91/-	91/3
Dunlop Rubber	24/3	24/3
General Elec. (Eng.)	78/-	78/6
Guinness (A) Son & Co.	108/6	107/-XD
Hawker Siddeley Aircraft	22/9	22/6
Imp. Chem. Indus.	31/10½	31/9
Imp. Tobacco	135/7½	136/3
Leyland Motors	84/4½	84/4½
Marks & Spencer "A" ord.	56/3	56/7½
Pressed Steel, com.	16/7½	16/9
Rolls-Royce	112/6	112/9
Smethwick Drop Forgings	16/6	16/6
Tate & Lyle	59/10½	60/-
Turner & Newall	76/10½	77/4½
United Steel	24/1½	24/3
Vickers, ord.	22/7½	22/10½
Woolworths	62/4½	62/9
MISCELLANEOUS		
Anglo Dutch	23/3	23/6
Rubber Plth. Inv. Trust	27/3	27/6
MINES		
Burma Corp.	8/3	8/3
Commonwealth Min.	1/4½	1/4½
Marsman Invest.	14/4½	14/3
Randfontein Ests.	36/10½	36/10½
Sub-Nigel	232/6	233/1½
Tanami Gold Min.	4½d.	4½d.
Western Holdings	9/9	9/9
OILS		
Anglo Iranian	90/7½	90/-
Burmah	83/1½	82/6
Mexican Eagle	6/9	6/9
Shell Trans. & Trad.	83/1½	83/1½
XD—Ex dividend.		
CHINESE EXTERNAL LOANS, ETC.		
4½% Gold Loan, 1898	£73½	73½
5% Gold Bonds, 1925-47	67	67
4½% Anglo French Loan,	52	52
5% Crisp Loan, 1912	34	34½
5% Reorg. Loan, 1913	48½	49
8% Stg. Notes, 1925	13½	13½
5% Honan Rly., 1905	22	22
5% Hukuang Rly., 1913	20½	20½
5% " " (Ger. Is.)	19½	19½
5% Lung Tsing U. H. Rly.	13½	13½
5% S'hai-Nanking Rly.	23	23
5% Tientsin-Pukow Rly. B.	16	16
5% " " G.	16	16
5% " " (Supl. Loan) B.	16	16
5% " " (Supl. Loan) G.	16	16
5% Canton-Kowloon Rly.	19½	19½
S'hai Elec. Construction	25/- N	25/- N
S'hai Waterworks "A"	19½ N	19½ N
Un. Ins. Soc. of Canton	30½	30½
Charted. Bank of I. A. & C.	9⅝	9½
H. & S. Bank (Ldn. Reg.)	84	84
" " (Col. Reg.)	87	87
Chinese Eng. & Min.	17/3	17/3
Chosen Corp.	6/-	6/-
Pekin Syndicate	2/- N	2/- N
Gula Kalumpong Rubber	18/9	18/9

N—Nominal

London Views on U.S. Silver

London, Feb. 16.

Bullion circles here take rather seriously the agitation in the American Congress to investigate the costly American attempt to raise the status of silver by incorporating it in the country's monetary stock in proportions of $1 of silver to $3 of gold.

However, the view generally held here is that while the American attacks on the scheme suggest that it has lost whatever popularity it had, nevertheless the American Treasury now has such a huge vested interest in the scheme that Mr. Henry Morgenthau, secretary of the Treasury, will be reluctant to do anything drastic.

For the American Treasury now holds more than 2,500,000,000 ounces of fine silver which it values "for monetary purposes" at the optimistic figure of $1.29 per fine ounce compared with the price of 64.64 cents which it pays for domestic silver and 43 cents which it pays for unlimited amounts of foreign silver.

It is virtually the world's sole market for the current output of mined silver—now running around 275,000,000 ounces per annum—and the tables in the annual report of the U.S. Bureau of the Mint are expected to show that the "world price" maintained by the United States has not encouraged purchases by India for hoarding purposes or purchases by governments for coinage purposes.

At any rate, with the depreciation of sterling against dollars, which in turn has depreciated the Indian rupee, the American "world price" for silver is considered much too high for India, leaving the United States the sole important buyer.

Montagu & Co., in their weekly bulletin, comment upon the reports of Congressional unrest as follows:—"These reports have naturally caused some uneasiness and the outlook is therefore uncertain, depending upon the attitude of operators to further developments in the United States."

There is a real shortage of spot silver in London, so that any misgivings about the future of American policy would be reflected not so much in spot silver as in heavy selling of forward silver which would tend to increase the latter's present discount on spot.—United Press.

U.S. Steel Mill Operations

New York, Feb. 20.

The American Iron and Steel Institute, in its weekly report, places steel mill activity for the week commencing February 20, at 53.7 per cent. of capacity.

This represents a decrease of 1.1 per cent. from the previous week and a gain of 23.3 over the corresponding period last year.—Reuter.

New York Stocks

Monday's Closing Quotations

New York, Feb. 20.

Following President Roosevelt's remarks at a press conference regarding "ominous reports from abroad," the opening of the Wall Street market today saw values being marked down in most sections, and throughout the session a generally lower trend prevailed. The volume of trading was light, however, amounting to 690,000 shares, and it was believed the unloading was due more to scares engendered by reports concerning the European situation than by any other cause.—Reuter.

Dow-Jones Averages

	High	Low	Close	Changes
30 Indust.	144.54	142.48	142.74	—2.77
20 Rails	30.08	29.52	29.55	—1.00
15 Utilities	25.20	24.67	24.73	—0.70
40 Bonds	—	—	90.27	—0.21
11 Commod.	—	—	47.41	—

	Feb. 18	20
Adams Express	9½	9
Alleghany Ludlum Steel	23¼	21¾
Allied Stores	—	9¼
Allis Chalmers	42¾	42
Amerada Corp.	Unq.	61
Amer. Can	90½	89½
Amer. & For. Power	3	2⅞
" " $7 pfd.	17	B 16½
Amer. Locomotive	25½	24⅜
Amer. Metal	34½	B 33⅝
Amer. Radiator	15⅞	15⅛
Amer. Rolling Mill	18¼	17½
Amer. Smelting	45	44⅛
Amer. Sugar Refining	Unq.	Unq.
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	158	157¼
Amer. Tobacco "B"	86½	85½
Amer. Waterworks	13⅜	12⅝
Anaconda Copper	29⅛	28
Atchison, T. & S. Fe	35	33½
Auburn	Unq.	3¾
Baltimore & Ohio	6⅛	6
Barber Asphalt Corp.	18	B 17
Barnsdall Oil Co.	15½	15⅜
Bendix Aviation	—	26⅞
Bethlehem Steel	71⅜	68⅝
Boeing Airplane Co.	31⅝	29⅞
Borg Warner	25½	24⅝
Briggs Mfg. Co.	25⅞	24⅞
Brooklyn-Manhattan Trans.	12⅞	12½
" $6 cum. pfd.	40¾	40
Can. Pacific Rly.	5	4⅞
Case, J.I.	86	84
Celanese Corp.	20¾	20⅛
Chase Nat. Bank	B 32¼	B 31½
Chesapeake & Ohio	35⅞	34⅞
Chrysler	77⅞	74⅝
Columbia Gas & Elec.	8¼	7¾
" 6% "A" pfd.	87¾	85½
Coml. Credit	54	53
Comm. & Southern (ord.)	1⅞	1¾
" $6 cum. pfd.	61½	60
Consold. Edison	33½	32¼
Consold. Oil	8½	8½
Continental Can	39⅞	38⅞
Continental Oil	27⅜	26⅞
Corn Products	65	64
Curtiss Wright (com.)	6⅞	6⅝
" "A"	27⅝	26½
Deere & Co.	—	19¾
Distillers Corp.	18⅝	18½
Douglas Aircraft	75¾	72⅝
Du Pont de Nemours	150	146¾
Eagle Picher Lead	11½	B 11
Eaton Manufacturing Co.	—	23¼
Elec. Auto Lite	—	31½
Elec. Bond & Sh.	11¾	10⅝
" " $5 pfd.	62	Unq.
" " $6 pfd.	68½	69
Elec. Power & Lt.	38	36¾
Flintkote	27¾	27
Gen. Amer. Trans.	55⅜	55
Gen. Elec.	41¼	39¼
Gen. Motors	49⅛	47⅛
Gen. Rly. Signal	22½	21⅜
Glidden Co.	21¼	20⅞
Goodrich (B.F.)	21¾	20⅜
" $5 pfd.	Unq.	64
Goodyear Tire & Rubber	34	31¾
Great Nthrn. Iron Ore	15	14¾
Great Nthrn. Rly.	26⅛	24¾
Great Western Sugar	24⅞	24⅞
Greyhound Corp.	18¾	18⅛
Hecker Products	11¼	11⅛
Homestake Min.	63¾	63¼
Int. Nickel	52	50½
Int. Tel. & Tel.	9	8⅜
Johns Manville	92	90
Kennecott	37	36
Libby Owens-Ford Glass	49½	48¼
Lockheed Aircraft	36	34⅜
Loew's Inc.	49	47½
Manhattan Shirt Co.	Unq.	Unq.
Martin Glenn L. Co.	37¾	36½
McKesson & Rob. $3 pfd.	Unq.	—
Monsanto Chemical	B 99½	99¾
Montgomery Ward	50⅞	48⅞
Nat. City Bank	B 24½	B 23½
Nat. Dairy Products	14⅜	14⅛
Nat. Distillers	26⅛	26¾
Nat. Gypsum	14	13⅝
Nat. Lead	22⅞	22½
Nat. Power & Lt.	8½	8
Nat. Supply Co.	12⅝	12⅛
New York Central	18½	17⅞
North Amer. Aviation	19¼	17⅞
North Amer.	25½	24⅝
Northern Pacific	11⅜	10⅞
Pacific Gas & Elec.	31¼	30¾
Pacific Lighting	45⅞	45¼
Packard Motors	4⅛	4
Paramount Pictures	10¾	10⅛
Pennsylvania R.R.	20⅞	19¾
Phelps Dodge	38⅜	37⅝
Phillips Petroleum	39⅛	38½
Public Serv. of N.J.	36¼	35⅜
Pullman, Inc.	34⅜	33⅛
Pure Oil	9½	9⅛
Radio Corp. of Amer.	7	6⅞
Republic Steel Co.	21⅜	20¼
Reynolds Tobacco "B"	39	37⅞
Schenley	15½	14¾
" 5½% pfd.	Unq.	Unq.
Sears Roebuck	72½	70½
Shell Union Oil	13⅛	12⅞
Socony-Vacuum	12¾	12¼
Sthrn. Pacific	17⅛	16⅛
Sthrn. Rly. $5 pfd.	27½	26¼
Sperry Corp.	47¾	45¾
Stand. Brands	7	6¾
Stand. Gas & Elec.	3⅝	3⅜
Stand. Oil of N.J.	49	48⅛
Stone & Webster	15¼	14⅜
Swift International	Unq.	26⅞
Technicolor	B 18¾	18¾
Texas Corp.	44¼	43¾
Texas Gulf Sulphur	30½	30¾
Transamerica	6½	6⅜
Tw. Century Fox	23¾	23
" " pfd.	Unq.	32½
Un. Carbide & Carbon	83½	81½
Un. Pacific	96	94½
Un. Aircraft	42⅛	40¼
Un. Air Lines Trans.	12⅛	11⅞
Un. Corp.	3¼	3
" $3 cum. pfd.	36	35¾
Un. Gas Corp.	3	2¾
Un. Gas Improvement	13	12½
U. S. Rubber	46¾	44
" 8% pfd.	105¼	102¼
U. S. Steel	61	59
Vanadium	26	25
Warner Bros. Picts.	5⅜	5⅛
Westinghouse Elec.	111	108
Woodward Iron	21½	21¾
BONDS		
Amer. & For. Power 5s	55½	54⅞
Brazil	12	11¾
Baltimore & Ohio	21	20
Cities Serv. Pwr.	83	81⅛
Erie R.R.	11⅛	10¾
Int. Tel. & Tel. 5s	70	69½
New England Gas	59½	59
Peru	Unq.	9⅜
Sthrn. Pacific R.R.	51¾	50¾
Stand. Gas & Elec.	65	64

B—Bid.

Dow-Jones Summary

By Courtesy of Swan, Culbertson & Fritz

President Roosevelt's statement concerning ominous European developments dampened speculative enthusiasm in the stock market today. Prices declined from fractions to over three points, averaging new lows since February 1 this year. Many operators lightened holdings in view of the observance of Washington's birthday on Wednesday. Steel operations sounded a disappointing note in falling to 53.7 per cent. of capacity, down two per cent. from last week.

Stocks on the Curb Exchange and the bond market both worked lower, with United States Government securities ruling irregular.

Britain Surveys Copper Stocks

London, Feb. 18.

The British Government has started a census of copper stocks, both raw and semifinished, in the hands of consumers. This census, it is understood in the trade, will be revised every three months, but the totals will not be published.

Total copper stocks in public warehouses, published weekly, are practically unchanged from a year ago this time but their composition has altered somewhat. Public warehouse stocks are equal to less than 2 months peace time requirements.

Just how much of a secret "war reserve" British industrialists have accumulated is completely uncertain, the "Metal Bulletin" estimates United Kingdom 1938 "consumption"—which would include manufacturers' privately held stocks—at 280,000 tons compared with 304,000 tons in the lively copper year, 1937.

Trade circles expect the Government to take censuses of the other important base metals.—United Press.

Paris Bourse Review

Paris, Feb. 19.

The past week on the Bourse was dominated by the international situation and was characterized by extreme reserve and inactivity. It was devoid of any important movement excepting a drop on Monday, after the Japanese occupation of Hainan. Reports of the landing on that island had been known at the end of the previous week, but it was not till after the weekend that they had an unfavourable influence upon the market.

The favourable conditions attendant upon the fortnightly liquidation failed to draw the market out of its state of apathy. It was noted, however, that Rentes were among the best-placed securities. A number of slight decreased was noticed among the French stocks, which again became variable, while Internationals in most cases remained at approximately the opening levels.—Havas.

Bombay Cotton Market

Bombay, Feb. 18.

Considerable unloading of long and option accounts was witnessed in the Bombay cotton market during the past week, following the uncertainty which prevailed over the American Farm Programme, coupled with a poor trade demand and the weakness of Bombay stocks.

Lancashire and Shanghai were fairly active in the market, but Japan was quiet.

Crop from the Broach districts is moving freely, with leading exporters buying daily. However, as they appear to be going long on the basis, while a satisfactory quality is obtainable, rather than covering sales already made, our futures market is encountering considerable hedging on that account.

The Bombay Budget Tax on domestic cloth is not being viewed constructively.—Reuter.

London Money Market

London, Feb. 18.

Overnight accumulation from clearing banks was readily obtained at ½ per cent. against bills for security.

Discount brokers during the past week viewed with pleasure the slight expansion in volume of commercial drafts, and, with expectations that any slackening in the flow in taxation payments, the Government will increase Treasury bill offerings.

It was anticipated that benefit would be derived from the huge increase proposed for Defence expenditure.—Reuter.

House Extends Life Of R.F.C.

Washington, Feb. 20.

The House of Representatives today passed a bill extending the life of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation until June 30, 1941. The Senate passed the bill last week and it now goes to the White House for the President's signature.—United Press.

Paris Bourse

Paris, Feb. 20.

The Bourse opened heavy on all counters today with transactions very calm. During the sitting, quotations were stationary, but towards closing-time dropped slightly to finish at generally lower levels.—Havas.

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Red Cross Aid for Guerillas

Lull in Fighting Enables Routine Work To Be Done Among Chinese Troops

Chungking, Feb. 20.

Plans for giving as much medical assistance as possible to Chinese guerillas are now being formulated by the Chinese Red Cross, Dr. Robert Lim, brilliant Edinburgh-trained Director of the Chinese Red Cross medical relief commission, told Reuter today.

"The Chinese Army," Dr. Lim declared, "must soon take the initiative by means of widespread, organized guerilla warfare, and we intend thereby to see that the Japanese shall not make one cent of economic advantage out of the occupied territories.

"They may force the peasants to sell some produce to the Japanese troops, but we will blow up their railways, wreck their railways, wreck their trains, and force them to keep enormous garrisons in order to prevent them from stamping out unrest in any district."

Dealing with the present activities of the Red Cross in the battle areas, Dr. Lim said that they were actively engaged in the task of "delousing" the Chinese army, following methods employed by other armies in the field.

Boilers had been erected, made out of oil-drums, in which all uniforms were exposed to steam at a temperature sufficient to kill pests.

The men themselves at the same time had the opportunity of taking hot baths, and they then received sulphur treatment for scabies, with which, Dr. Lim stated, 80 per cent. of the Chinese Army was affected.

Typhus had already made its appearance in Hunan, he went on to state, and it was fortunate that the present lull in the fighting enabled the Chinese Red Cross to devote its attention to anti-epidemic work.

Diet Improved

Another important item, affecting the welfare of thousands of men, was that of diet. Every medical unit of the Chinese Red Cross now included a dietetics specialist, whose work was of the greatest assistance in saving the lives of under-nourished men wounded in the field.

Turning to the work of the Chinese Medical Relief Commission, Dr. Lim said that the Commission was operating 100 ambulances, and supervising 200 hospitals for wounded soldiers.

The Commission, which worked in close co-operation with the Army Red Cross, was attempting to complete the standardization of Chinese medical equipment. Plans were on foot for closer co-operation between the Commission and mission hospitals, whereby such hospitals might "lend" beds to the Commission, in return for help in various ways.

Many foreign donors of sums to the Chinese relief funds, Dr. Lim went on to state, had stipulated that their gifts should not be used to aid wounded soldiers, though the need of funds for this purpose was "very great."

The Commission treated soldiers and civilians, but devoted most attention to the soldiers.

They would welcome the presence of independent observers, representing big relief funds, at their Headquarters.

Such observers would be given office accommodation, and would be accorded every opportunity of seeing the work of the Commission in detail, thereby being enabled to act as liaison officers between the Commission and the biggest relief bodies, with advantage to both sides.—Reuter.

Reichsmark Rates

Berlin, Feb. 20.

Reichsmark quotations without guarantee: New York U.S.$40.14 - Rm. 100.— Paris Frs. 1517.— -Rm. 100.— Amsterdam G. 74.82 - Rm. 100.— London £1 -Rm. 11.68.

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Federal Reserve System

New York, Feb. 20.

The Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve system, in their report for the week ended February 15 respecting the entire body of reporting member banks of the system, reveal a gain of total loans amounting to $26,000,000 compared with the previous week, and a decrease of 739,000,000 from the corresponding period last year.

Investments, however, show an increase of $123,000,000 over last week and of $1,116,000,000 over the corresponding period last year.

Loans during the period under review totalled $8,205,000,000 and investments $23,403,000,000.—Reuter.

Berlin Bourse

Berlin, Feb. 20.

Today's share market was even duller than last week, Salzdefurth and Waldhof losing 1 point each at 139 and 122.25 respectively. Felten gained 1.25 at 136 and Lahmeyer went up 1.125 to 116.625.—Trans-Ocean.

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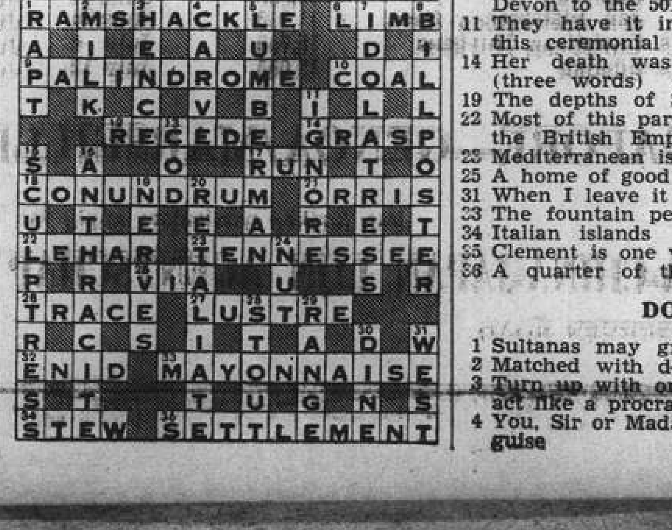

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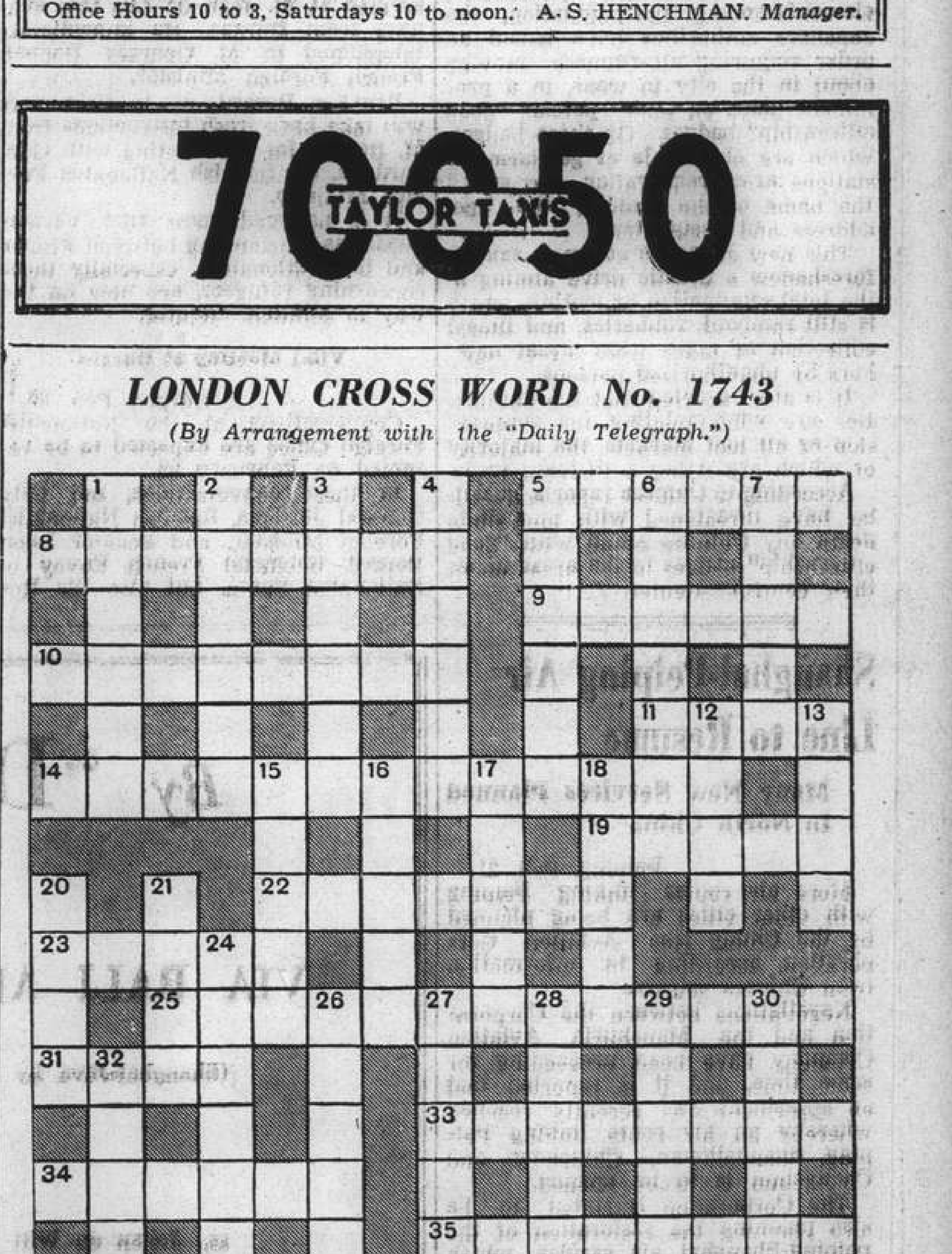

ACROSS

5 Beneath this the miser keeps his chest
8 It might be beneficial to tramps in the extreme ere Cupid is reformed
9 A fiery upstart
10 Sounds unnecessary advice from Devon to the 501 up enthusiast
11 They have it in part of the army, this ceremonial
14 Her death was a burning shame (three words)
19 The depths of Somerset?
22 Most of this part of the U.S.A. is in the British Empire
23 Mediterranean island
25 A home of good will (two words)
31 When I leave it the men remain
33 The fountain pen is killing it
34 Italian islands
35 Clement is one who shows this
36 A quarter of the Jews

DOWN

1 Sultanas may grow herein
2 Matched with depressions
3 Turn up with one of the swells, but act like a procrastinator (two words)
4 You, Sir or Madam, in more precious guise
5 Curtailing this body produces a livelier one
6 Cattle in this part of Switzerland should be as happy as pigs in clover
7 Too much of the start can make a car driver less the whole
12 The land of garbled untruths
13 This can be seen in Newcastle as you approach
15 This is seen in the method I umpire with
16 In marching this is a uniform command to the soldier
17 Sailors on this do not have to clean any decks
18 Still above water, but only just
20 When revolution stirs things up this too often comes to the top
21 The use of this would hardly promote understanding between the Irish and English
24 It is sweet and confused in a church fixture
26 This Northerner might usefully employ what is in him for getting about
27 A contortionist must needs be this
28 Wherein one should not pass wrong notes
29 Male name
30 At a meal this may serve as introduction to the toast
32 21 down

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FROM DAY TO DAY

DR. W. T. Findley has entered the General Hospital for treatment.

THE French and Iranian Governments have reached an agreement to resume diplomatic relations, broken off on December 28, last year, following an incident in the French Press when a pun was made upon the word "Shah."

M. GEORGES Bonnet, French Foreign Minister, received the Ambassadors of China, Italy and the United States on Monday as Dr. Wellington Koo, Signor Raffaele Guaraglia and Mr. William C. Bullitt respectively called upon him.

THE Governor of Florida, Mr. Fred P. Cone has ordered postponement of the execution of Franklin Pierce McCall, 21-year-old youth, only two hours before he was to have been led to the electric chair following his sentence to death for the kidnapping of Jimmy Cash who died while in McCall's hands.

TODAY being Ash-Wednesday, there will be a celebration of Holy Communion in Holy Trinity Cathedral at 7.30 a.m.; The Litany will be said with special intercessions at 11.30 a.m.; and at 5.30 p.m. there will be a specially arranged Lenten Service at which the Rev. F. W. Weaver will deliver the address.

WITH Pan-American Airways' giant 72 passenger Boeing Clipper poised to take off on her maiden flight to the Orient, her sister ship Clipper XVII left yesterday for San Diego for final inspection by Navy officials before flying to Baltimore to inaugurate the new trans-Atlantic service between Europe and the United States.

IN connection with the item appearing in yesterday's paper, regarding the arrival here, in the near future, of some 750 Jewish refugees aboard two especially chartered Hamburg-America-Line steamers, the local agents of the company stated yesterday that they have no knowledge of this and that the ss. Fulda, mentioned in the report as one of the ships, only arrived here recently from Europe with 21 passengers.

FOR stealing a relic of the German cruiser Emden—a brass watercock valued at 2/6d—a Chinese was sentenced at Singapore to six weeks' rigorous imprisonment. Illegally salvaged with a quantity of other material from the Emden wreck at Cocos Islands, in the Indian Ocean, by Japanese fishermen, the relic was stolen from a scrap heap at the Marine Police station here. The Emden was run aground at Cocos Islands during the Great War after a fierce battle with the Australian warship Sydney.

NEW York music critics are eagerly awaiting the debut by Miss Louise Corchia, 17-year-old daughter of a jobless furrier whose home is in a railway box car. Miss Corchia, a soprano, learned to sing from Galli Curci phonograph records and her appearance at Carnegie Hall will be her first public performance. The debut has been made possible by her cousin, a New York bar-tender, who has put up $600 for rental of the hall, $600 for newspaper advertising and $30 for a new pink concert gown which Louise will wear. The philanthropic cousin, Sereno Corchia, told the press he was not worried about losing his investment. "Her voice is a gift from God," he said.

"Good Citizen" Badges For Canton

Japanese Attempt to Curb Undesirable Elements

Canton, Feb. 21.

In order to eliminate undesirable elements among the population, the Japanese authorities have issued an order requiring all Chinese moving about in the city to wear, in a prominent place on their person, "good citizenship" badges. On these badges, which are obtainable at gendarmerie stations after registration, are stated the name of the holder, the age, address and occupation.

This new Japanese action is said to foreshadow a drastic drive aiming at the total elimination of looting, which is still rampant, robberies, and illegal collection of taxes from street hawkers by unauthorized persons.

It is also reported that the authorities are contemplating the suppression of all loot markets, the majority of which are doing a thriving trade.

According to Chinese reports, guerillas have threatened with immediate death any Chinese found with "good citizenship" badges in the areas under their control.—Reuter.

Shanghai-Peiping Air Line to Resume

Many New Services Planned In North China

Peiping, Feb. 21.

More air routes linking Peiping with other cities are being planned by the Chung Hua Aviation Corporation, according to information from Chinese sources.

Negotiations between the Corporation and the Manchuria Aviation Company have been proceeding for some time, and it is reported that an agreement was recently reached whereby an air route linking Peiping, Shanhaikwan, Chinchow and Changchun is to be opened.

The Corporation is stated to be also planning the restoration of the Peiping-Shanghai air service, which is expected to materialize in March. —Reuter.

Brazilian Currency Restrictions

Commons Statement On Trade Difficulty

London, Feb. 20.

The difficulty at the moment is not so much to find a market for British goods in Brazil as to obtain a prompt transfer of currency.

This statement was made today by Mr. R. S. Hudson, Parliamentary Secretary for Overseas Trade, when questioned in the House of Commons by Lt.-Col. A. Dower, Conservative member for the Penrith and Cockermouth division of Cumberland, regarding steps to improve exports in Brazil.—Reuter.

Britain and France Working for Spanish Armistice

Vital Decision Expected in Next Few Days; More Nations Recognize Burgos Regime

London, Feb. 20.

THE British Government was maintaining very close touch with the French Government and discussions with them were still in progress regarding the recognition of General Franco's regime and the Spanish refugees, declared Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Prime Minister, at question time in the House of Commons today. No statement as to the progress of these discussions, he said, was possible at this stage.

When asked whether representations had been made to the Burgos authorities, urging the importance of a general amnesty in Spain as a means for peace settlement, Mr. Chamberlain said that the British Government's attitude remained as stated on February 15. He reiterated that the British Government did not think it advisable to sponsor any particular terms for settlement.

Mr. Chamberlain did not answer several supplementary questions, including one asking the Government to use its influence to prevent the Republican side from having to make an unconditional surrender.

A further protest against the seizure of the British steamer Stangrove, which was captured by Spanish Nationalists and taken to Palma, Majorca, on February 18, has been made to the Nationalist authorities. No reply to this or the first protest has yet been received.—Reuter.

Nationalist Ships Released

London, Feb. 20.

Eleven Spanish vessels under arrest by British authorities at Liverpool, Cardiff and Newcastle will be released as a result of an order issued by Mr. Justice Bucknill in the Admiralty Court today.

The order granted a motion by the Spanish National Government to set aside a writ for the arrest and subsequent proceedings by the Spanish Republican Government which sought to secure possession of the vessels. The Republican Government did not oppose the motion.—United Press.

Balkan Recognition Move

Burgos, Feb. 20.

Upon the initiative of Yugoslavia, the Balkan Entente Powers of Yugoslavia, Rumania, Greece and Turkey have decided to recognize the Nationalist regime of Spain, it was announced over the radio here today.

Egypt has also decided to grant de jure recognition, and Esthonia has appointed Colonel Normac as Diplomatic Agent to Burgos, the radio report added.—Havas.

Scandinavian Move

Oslo, Feb. 20.

Scandinavian Foreign Ministers are to meet at Helsingfors tomorrow to discuss the recognition of the Spanish Nationalist Government of General Francisco Franco, it was learned today. Norway, it was understood, intends to recognize the Burgos regime.—United Press.

Sr. Azana Wants Peace

Paris, Feb. 20.

Don Manuel Azana, President of Republican Spain, today received a telegram from Dr. Juan Negrin, Republican Foreign Minister, asking him, in the name of the Republican Government, to come to Madrid to assure a normal, constitutional working of the Government.

President Azana, it is learned, telegraphed to Dr. Negrin, repeating that he was in favour of an armistice. It is understood that Sr. Azana would be quite willing to resign if the Republican Government could obtain formal assurance from Gen. Franco that there would be no reprisals.—Reuter.

French Negotiations in Spain

Hendaye, Feb. 20.

Senator Leon Berard, unofficial French Envoy to Nationalist Spain, arrived at St. Jean de Luz this evening from Burgos. He immediately telephoned to M. Georges Bonnet, French Foreign Minister.

Senator Berard, it is presumed, will take back fresh instructions from M. Bonnet for his meeting with Gen. Jordana, the Spanish Nationalist Foreirn Minister.

It is believed here that various questions outstanding between France and the Nationalists, especially those concerning refugees, are now on the way to solution.—Reuter.

Vital Meeting at Burgos

Burgos, Feb. 20.

Conversations at the Nationalist Foreign Office are expected to be resumed on February 22.

In these conversations, not only General Jordana, Spanish Nationalist Foreign Minister, and Senator Leon Berard, unofficial French Envoy to Nationalist Spain, but also Sir Robert Hodgson, British Agent in Nationalist Spain, may participate.

It is generally felt here that the next few days will decide the issue of war or peace in Spain.—Reuter.

Burgos Cabinet Reshuffle

Perpignan, Feb. 20.

General Franco proposes to reorganize his Government, and hand over the Premiership to his brother-in-law, Senor Serrano y Suner, now Minister of the Interior, according to information obtained from well-informed sources. General Franco, it is stated, would remain the head of the State, and of the fighting forces.

Senor Serrano y Suner is one of the most active Phalangist leaders.

The reported reorganization provides only for eight ministers, and other departments would be transformed into secretaryships.—Reuter.

French Frontier Closed

St. Jean de Luz, Feb. 20.

The Spanish authorities this morning closed the frontier to Spanish military refugees wishing to return to Spain from France.—Reuter.

Madrid Starving

Lisbon, Feb. 20.

The food shortage in Madrid is becoming so acute that eighty children are dying daily from malnutrition there, it was reported here today.—United Press.

LARGE areas in northern Kiangsu and Anhwei provinces are now inundated by flood waters as a result of breaches in the Yellow River dykes caused by recent fighting, says a Chungking Chinese message to the "Hwa Mei Chen Pao." More than 20 districts in Anhwei province, including over 25,000,000 mow of farmland, the report adds, are now flooded. The persons affected in these areas total over 1,600,000, it is revealed.

Yesterday's Arrivals

Name	From	Consignees
Wusueh	Hsinkong	B.&S.
Soochow	Swatow	B.&S.
Jeypore	Singapore	Mackenzie
Jon. Justesen	C'wangtao	K.M.A.
Taiyuan	Hongkong	B.&S.
Morioka M.	Japan	N.Y.K.
Cockchafer	Cruise	—
Rio Azul	—	Gibb, L.
Atlanticos	—	Dodwell
Eihuku M.	Keelung	O.S.K.
Szechuen	Hongkong	B.&S.
Shunwo	Tungchow	Jardine
Kaisyo M.	Japan	N.Y.K.
Tungwo	Hsinkong	Jardine
Taiyo M.	Japan	N.Y.K.
Nagasaki M.	Japan	N.Y.K.
Chingning M.	Tsungming	N.K.K.
Tingsang	Hongkong	Jardine
Nantung M.	Nantung	N.K.K.

Yesterday's Departures

Name	Flag	Despatcher
Gran	Pan.	Wallem
Myoken M.	Jap.	N.Y.K.
Suiwo	Br.	Jardine
Whangpu	Br.	B.&S.
Rawalpindi	Br.	Mackenzie
Yasukuni M.	Jap.	N.Y.K.
London M.	Jap.	O.S.K.
Burgenland	Ger.	H.-A.L.
Yekishin M.	Jap.	D.K.K.
Tsingtao M.	Jap.	D.K.K.
H.M.S. Scarab	Br.	—
Tyosa M.	Jap.	O.S.K.
Tainan M.	Jap.	N.K.K.
Chekiang M.	Jap.	N.K.K.
Jessie Moller	Br.	Mollers'
Soudan	Br.	Mackenzie
Cockchafer	Br.	—
Wingsang	Br.	Jardine
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Gnat	Br.	Gbt.	Y.P.D.W.
Gold Star	Am.	Tr.	U.S.N.B.
Guam	Am.	Gbt.	U.S.N.B.
Isabel	Am.	Slp.	B.N.B.
D. de Lagree	Fr.	Gbt.	F.N.B.
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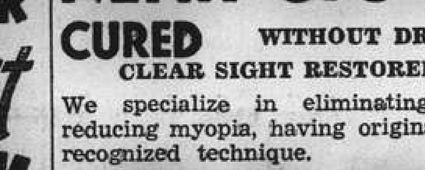

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ms. Marnix v. St. Aldegonde	19,100	Mar. 22	Mar. 24	Apr. 11
ms. Baloeran	17,000	Mar. 29	Mar. 31	Apr. 18
ms. Christiaan Huygens	15,700	Apr. 12	Apr. 14	May 2
ms. Sibajak	12,000	Apr. 19	Apr. 21	May 9
ms. Johan v. Oldenbarnevelt	19 000	May 3	May 5	May 23
ms. Dempo	17,000	May 10	May 12	May 30
ss. Johan de Witt	10,400	May 24	May 26	June 15
ms. Indrapoera	10,800	June 7	June 9	June 28
ms. Marnix v. St. Aldegonde	19,100	June 14	June 16	July 5
ms. Baloeran	17,000	June 21	June 23	July 12
ss. Jan Pieterszoon Coen	11,140	June 28	June 30	July 22
ms. Christiaan Huygens	15,700	July 5	July 7	July 26
ms. Sibajak	12,000	July 12	July 14	Aug. 2

SINGAPORE—GENOA/MARSEILLES ... 18 DAYS

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Vessels Arriving To-day

The following particulars in connection with vessels due to arrive to-day are based upon information available yesterday evening.

From GENOA: Conte Biancamano, with mail, due 1 p.m., Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf. Passengers arrive Customs Jetty 3 p.m.

From DAIREN: Hoten Maru, with mail, due 3 p.m., Whangpoo Wharf.

Due at Future Dates

All vessels are listed under their terminal port. The first date is that of the ship's departure from that port, and the second is the date she is due to arrive in Shanghai Where a ship's name is duplicated it indicates the port of call last visited.

EUROPE AND STRAITS

From GDYNIA		
Mentor	10/1	4/3
Protesilaus	7/2	31/3
From COPENHAGEN		
Java	30/12	9/3
Kina	1/2	28/3
From OSLO		
Talleyrand	17/1	15/3
Titania	11/2	8/4
From HAMBURG		
Scharnhorst	21/1	24/2
Potsdam	18/2	27/3
Kina	14/2	29/3
From BREMEN		
Oldenburg	10/1	3/3
Neumark	24/1	13/3
Ramses	7/2	30/3
Kulmerland	21/2	30/3
From ROTTERDAM		
Shantung	15/2	27/3
Ramses	16/2	30/3
Protesilaus	15/2	31/3
From ANTWERP		
Glenogle	24/12	23/2
Glenroy	7/1	4/3
Aller	26/1	11/3
Arendskerk	23/1	17/3
Glenbeg	21/1	19/3
Marburg	8/2	20/3
Gleniffer	4/2	1/4
Meerkerk	20/2	15/4
Glenapp	18/2	16/4
From GLASGOW		
Antenor	14/1	3/3
Ajax	28/1	16/3
Hector	11/2	31/3
From LIVERPOOL		
Tantalus	28/1	12/3
Ajax	4/2	16/3
Philoctetes	11/2	24/3
Hector	18/2	31/3
From LONDON		
Eurdwan	7/1	25/2
Fushimi M.	20/1	27/2
Canton	27/1	6/3
Hakozaki M.	3/2	13/3
From LONDON		
Somali	4/2	20/3
Corfu	10/2	20/3
Suwa M.	17/2	28/3
Gleniffer	18/2	1/4
From MARSEILLES		
Aramis	3/2	3/3
Chenonceaux	17/2	21/3
From TRIESTE		
C. Rosso	8/2	5/3
Cortellazzo	20/1	9/3
From PORT SAID		
Java	7/2	9/3
Aller	8/2	11/3
Talleyrand	11/2	15/3
Arendskerk	14/2	17/3
Chenonceaux	21/2	21/3
Corfu	22/2	20/3
From SUEZ		
Neumark	14/2	13/3
Hakozaki M.	17/2	13/3
Glenbeg	16/2	19/3
From ADEN		
Somali	19/2	20/3
From BOMBAY		
C. Rosso	20/2	5/3
From COLOMBO		
Scharnhorst	13/2	24/2
Canton	19/2	6/3
From P. SWET'HAM		
Glenroy	19/2	4/3
From SINGAPORE		
Ruys	18/2	25/2
Fushimi M.	20/2	27/2
Antenor	22/2	3/3
Oldenburg	20/2	3/2
Aramis	22/2	3/3
Mentor	22/2	4/3
From SOERABAIA		
Tjisalak	20/2	11/3
From MANILA		
Siam. Prince	21/2	1/3
From HONGKONG		
See "China Ports" below.		

AMERICA AND JAPAN

From NEW YORK		
Mar. Maersk	11/1	25/2
Siam. Prince	9/1	1/3
Silverash	23/1	14/3
Acadia	28/2	15/3
Motorship	25/1	19/3
Eurybates	27/1	21/3
Irisbank	7/2	28/3
Anna Maersk	10/2	28/3
Cingal Prince	11/2	29/3
C. Athens	18/2	15/4
From SAVANNAH		
Cingal Prince	14/2	29/3
From PANAMA		
Anna Maersk	21/2	28/3
From SEATTLE		
Ixion	17/2	23/3
From VANCOUVER		
Tyndareus	26/1	23/2
E. of Japan	18/2	7/3
From LOS ANGELES		
Tatuta M.	16/1	25/2
P. Cleveland	5/2	1/3
Pres. Pierce	20/2	16/3
Motorship	17/2	19/3
Eurybates	17/2	21/3
From SAN FRANCISCO		
Tweedbank	30/1	1/3
Silverash	13/2	14/3
From HONOLULU		
P. Cleveland	16/2	1/3
From HONGKONG		
See "China Ports" below.		
From YOKOHAMA		
Tatuta M.	21/2	25/2
Ranpura	21/2	26/2
From KOBE		
Tyndareus	18/2	23/2
Mar. Maersk	22/2	25/2
From NAGASAKI		
Shanghai M.	23/2	24/2

AFRICA AND AUSTRALIA

From CAPETOWN		
Ruys	18/1	25/2
Boissevain	15/2	24/3
From DURBAN		
Boissevain	21/2	24/3
From MELBOURNE		
Nankin	1/2	9/3
From BRISBANE		
Nankin	13/2	9/3

CHINA PORTS

From DAIREN		
Dairen M.	23/2	25/2
Patroclus	10/2	1/3
From TIENTSIN		
Shuntien	20/2	23/2
Taksang	20/2	24/2
Yatshing	23/2	26/2
Shengking	23/2	26/2
From TSINGTAO		
Fausang	22/2	24/2
From HONGKONG		
Glenogle	19/2	23/2
Emp. Canada	21/2	23/2
Burdwan	22/2	25/2
Kiungchow	22/2	26/2
Wosang	22/2	26/2
Tsinan	22/2	27/2
From KEELUNG (Formosa)		
Hakuken M.	23/2	25/2

Passenger Lists

ARRIVALS

Per Wingsang, Feb. 19, from **Haiphong:** Mrs. H. J. E. Gillroy, from **Hongkong:** Capt. A. R. St. Louis, Mrs. E. M. B. Crawford, Mr. P. Finch, Miss B. Miller, Mrs. C. Nock and daughter, Mrs. A. C. Coughlin, Mr. & Mrs. L. R. Dixon, Mrs. J. Hartman, Mr. D. B. Williams, L/Sgt. & Mrs. A. R. Swift and daughter, from **Swatow:** Mr. R. V. Swearingen.

Per Kwaisang, Feb. 20, from **Tientsin etc.:** Mr. J. M Silverthorne, Mr. J. H. Clarke, Dr. Berst.

DEPARTURES

Per Wingsang, Feb. 21, for **Tientsin etc.:** Mr. A. M. Sachs, Mr. P. Shifman, Mr. & Mrs. J. Hyslop and child, Mr. & Mrs. J. Linford, Mr. de Chazelles, Dr. & Mrs. Chapman and child, Mr. L. Riggio, Mrs. M. Gertig, Mr. A. Pullen, Mr. Kien, Mr. W. H. Branson, Mr. Olshevsky, Mr. S. Hootoransky, Mr. H. W. Hartbraker, Mr. Gowan, Mr. L. B. Lamb.

Vessels Leaving

NORTH CHINA COAST

KAIPING Feb. 23. CHINWANGTAO DIRECT.—The Kailan Mining Administration will despatch the steamer Kaiping, Captain E. Muton, on Thursday, February 23, 1939. For freight or passage apply to the Agent, 50 Foochow Road. Tel. 11070. 23-2

TINGSANG Feb. 23. TSINGTAO, WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Thursday, Feb. 23, at 1 p.m. "A" and "B" Saloon Accommodation. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 23-2

PROMINENT Feb. 24. TSINGTAO, WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—From French Bund on Friday, Feb. 24, at 1 p.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 24-2

SHUNTIEN Feb. 25. WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—From French Bund on Saturday, Feb. 25, at noon. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 25-2

WOSANG Feb. 28. CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Tuesday, Feb. 28, at 10 a.m. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 28-2

FOOSHING Mar. 4. CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Saturday, March 4. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 4-3

YUSANG Mar. 4. CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Saturday, March 4. For freight apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 4-3

SOUTH CHINA COAST

HOIHOW Feb. 22. HONGKONG. — From French Bund on Wednesday, Feb. 22, at noon. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 22-2

TAIYUAN Feb. 22. SWATOW and HONGKONG.—From French Bund on Wednesday, Feb. 22, at noon. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 22-2

YOCHOW Feb. 22. SWATOW and HONGKONG.—From French Bund on Wednesday, Feb. 22, at noon. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 22-2

Vessels Leaving

SOUTH CHINA COAST

TJISADANE Feb. 23. AMOY, HONGKONG, MANILA, CEBU, MACASSAR, BALI, SOERABAIA and JAVA N.C.—The J.C.J.L. ms. Tjisadane sails from Holt's Wharf, Pootung on Thursday, February 23, at 5 p.m., taking cargo to Java and transhipment in Java. Excellent passenger accommodation. Passengers tender leaves Customs Jetty at 3.30 p.m. Through tickets issued to European, Australian and African Ports. For particulars apply to the Java-China-Japan Lijn Agentschap Shanghai N.V., Brunner Mond Building, 133 Szechuen Road. Tel. Nos. 16247 (4 Lines). 23-2

SINKIANG Feb. 25. SWATOW and HONGKONG.—From French Bund on Saturday, Feb. 25, at 6.30 a.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 24-2

SZECHUEN Feb. 25. AMOY, HONGKONG, KWONGCHOWWAN and HAIPHONG.—From French Bund on Saturday, Feb. 25, at 6.30 a.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 24-2

TAKSANG Feb. 26. SWATOW, HONGKONG and HAIPHONG.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Sunday, Feb. 26, at 7.30 a.m. "A" and "B" Saloon Accommodation. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 25-2

YATSHING Feb. 28. SWATOW and HONGKONG.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Tuesday, Feb. 28. For freight apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 28-2

WINGSANG Mar. 5. SWATOW, HONGKONG, KWONGCHOWWAN, HAIPHONG and PAKHOI.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Sunday, March 5. "A" and "B" Saloon Accommodation. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 5-3

JAPAN

SCHARNHORST Feb. 26. YOKOHAMA and KOBE.—For freight and passage apply to Melchers & Co., General Agents, N.D.L., 210-214 Kiukiang Road. Tel. 15566. 26-2

STRAITS AND EUROPE

CONTE B'CAMANO Feb. 23. NAPLES and GENOA via HONGKONG, MANILA, SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, PORT SAID.—Lloyd Triestino, 26 The Bund. Tel. 16885. 23-2

MIN Feb. 25. ORAN, CASABLANCA, HAVRE, ANTWERP, DUNKIRK via ADEN and PORT SAID.—For particulars apply to Messageries Maritimes, 9 Avenue Edward VII. Tel. 82034. 25-2

COBURG Feb. 26. MARSEILLES, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG and BREMEN via KOHSICHANG, SINGAPORE, BELAWAN and PORT SAID.—For freight and passage apply to Melchers & Co., General Agents, N.D.L., 210-214 Kiukiang Road. Tel. 15566. 26-2

PRES. DOUMER Feb. 28. MARSEILLES via HONGKONG SAIGON, SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, DJIBOUTI, SUEZ and PORT SAID.—Messageries Maritimes, 9 French Bund. Tel. 82034. 28-2

RANPURA Feb. 28. MARSEILLES, GIBRALTAR and LONDON via HONGKONG, SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, COCHIN, ADEN, PORT SUDAN, SUEZ, PORT SAID and MALTA.—Last tender leaves Customs Jetty 10 a.m. Tuesday, February 28. Hand packages only accepted by the Tender. Heavy Baggage received into Lighter at Customs Jetty between 2 and 3 p.m. on Monday, February 27, Customs Permit required for any nailed cases. For Freight and Passage Apply to:—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Agents, 27 The Bund. Tel. 11428. 28-2

PATROCLUS Mar. 4. MARSEILLES, LONDON, ROTTERDAM & GLASGOW. First Class Passenger Accommodation. For freight and passage apply Agents, Butterfield & Swire, 21 French Bund, Tel. 82020. 4-3

SCHARNHORST Mar. 7. GENOA, SOUTHAMPTON, ROTTERDAM, BREMEN and HAMBURG via HONGKONG, MANILA, SINGAPORE, PENANG, BELAWAN, COLOMBO and PORT SAID.—For freight and passage apply to Melchers & Co., General Agents, N.D.L., 210-214 Kiukiang Road. Tel. 15566. 7-3

AMERICA

KIYOKAWA M. Mar. 1. NEW YORK, BOSTON, PHILADELPHIA and BALTIMORE via SAN FRANCISCO and LOS ANGELES.—For Freight please apply to Showa Shipping Co., Ltd., 130 Hankow Road. Tel. Nos. 18650 and 16118. 1-3

GRETE MAERSK Mar. 2. LOS ANGELES and via PANAMA to NEW YORK, BOSTON, PHILADELPHIA, BALTIMORE, SAVANNAH and NORFOLK.—For Freight and Passage apply to Melchers & Co., Agents, Maersk Line, 210-214 Kiukiang Road Tel. 15566. 2-3

AUSTRALASIA

TANDA Mar. 4. (From Hongkong) SYDNEY and MELBOURNE via PORTS.—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Agents, E. & A. S. S. Co., Ltd., 27 The Bund. Tel. 11428. 4-3

SOUTH AND EAST AFRICA

RUYS Feb. 27. RODRIGUEZ, MAURITIUS, REUNION, TAMATAVE, LOURENCO MARQUES, DURBAN, CAPETOWN, MOSSEL BAY, PORT ELIZABETH, EAST LONDON, ZANZIBAR and MOMBASA via HONGKONG, MANILA, SAIGON, BANGKOK, (Koh-Si-Chang) SINGAPORE and BATAVIA.—The K.P.M. Line ms. Ruys sails from Holt's Wharf, Pootung on Monday, Feb. 27. Cargo accepted for all ports in South, East and West Africa, also East Coast of South America. For passage and freight apply to the Java-China-Japan Lijn Agentschap Shanghai N.V., Agents, K.P.M. Line Brunner Mond Building, 133 Szechuen Road. Tel. Nos. 16247 (4 Lines). 27-2

Vessels Discharging

RAWALPINDI. The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer Rawalpindi, from London and Ports, bringing Cargo ex s.s. Talma, from Calcutta steamer Chilka, from Cocanada via Rangoon.—This steamer is discharging Cargo at the Hongkew Wharf. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and take immediate delivery of their Cargo. Consignees of "Bulk Cargo" will further be required to send their Representatives to the Wharf to verify the weights of such Cargo whilst it is being landed. Examination of ship-damaged cargo will be held at the Hongkew Wharf on Monday, February 27, at 9 a.m. by Messrs. Paulsen & Bayes-Davy. All Claims against this steamer must be sent in within fifteen days from date of Steamer's arrival, or they will not be recognized. All risks of Fire etc. at the Wharf and Godowns to be borne by the Consignees of the Cargo. Mackinnon Mackenzie & Co., Agents. 22-2

JEYPORE. The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer Jeypore, from Karachi and Bombay.—This steamer is discharging Cargo at the Pootung Wharf. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and take immediate delivery of their Cargo. Consignees of "Bulk Cargo" will further be required to send their Representatives to the Wharf to verify the weights of such Cargo whilst it is being landed. Examination of ship-damaged cargo will be held at the Pootung Wharf on Tuesday, February 28, at 9 a.m., by Messrs. Paulsen & Bayes-Davy. All Claims against this steamer must be sent in within fifteen days from date of Steamer's arrival, or they will not be recognized. All risks of Fire etc. at the Wharf and Godowns to be borne by the Consignees of the Cargo. Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Agents. 23-2

CYCLOPS. From Liverpool arrived on Feb. 19, and is discharging her cargo at Holt's Wharf, Pootung. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature. Consignees of "Bulk Cargo" are further requested to send their representative to the Wharf to verify the weight of such cargo whilst being landed. Free storage period expires February 28, 1939. Damaged cargo will be examined in the presence of a Customs Officer on Saturday, February 25, at 10 a.m. Claims must be presented within 15 days of vessel's arrival. No insurance effected. Butterfield & Swire, Agents. 23-2

STENTOR. From New York arrived on Feb. 19, and is discharging her cargo at Holt's Wharf, Pootung. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature. Consignees of "Bulk Cargo" are further requested to send their representative to the Wharf to verify the weight of such cargo whilst being landed. Free storage period expires February 28, 1939. Damaged cargo will be examined in the presence of a Customs Officer on Friday, February 24, at 10 a.m. Claims must be presented within 15 days of vessel's arrival. No insurance effected. Butterfield & Swire, Agents. 23-2

Post Office Notices

Earlier posting at Sub-Offices is requested in order to make connection with the below-mentioned closing times.

(Last connecting time from Sub-Offices to Head Office is 19.35 on week days and 19.05 on Sunday).

Date and Destination	Per		Reg.	Ord.
WEDNESDAY, Feb. 22.				
Japan Korea and Formosa via Nagasaki	Nagasaki M.		*20.00	7.15
Swatow	Yochow		9.30	10.00
Hongkong	Hoihow		9.30	10.00
Swatow and Hongkong	Taiyuan		9.30	10.00
Kwangtung	Taiyuan		9.30	10.00
H'kow Wuchang Hanyang	Dairen M.		13.30	14.00
Nantung	Nantung M.		14.30	15.00
U.S.S.R. Europe via Siberia	Kaiping		16.30	18.00
Chinwangtao	Kaiping		17.30	18.00
Foochow	Elsie Moller		17.30	18.00
THURSDAY, Feb. 23.				
H'kong Canton Aust. N.Z. Manila S.S. Ceylon India Suez and Europe	C. B'camano	A	*20.00	7.30
Tsingtao Wei. C'foo T'tsin	Tingsang		10.30	11.00
Amoy Hongkong Canton Aust. N.Z. Indo-China Manila and Java Ports	Tjisadane	B	12.30	13.00
Ningpo	M. Margarida		12.30	13.00
Ningpo	Santarem		13.30	14.00
Kiangpei Offices east of Jukao	Tejo		16.30	17.00
Wenchow	Peikan		16.30	17.00
Japan Honolulu Canada U.S.A. and Europe	Emp. Canada	C	18.00	20.00
FRIDAY, Feb. 24.				
Tsingtao and Dairen	Hoten M.		*20.00	7.15
Tsingtao Wei. C'foo T'tsin	Prominent		10.30	11.00
H'kong Canton Aust. N.Z.	Tyndareus	X	15.30	16.00
Foochow	Shinai	X	16.30	17.00
Swatow and Hongkong	Sinkiang		19.30	20.00
Kwangtung	Sinkiang		19.30	20.00
Indo-China (Z) via H'phong	Szechuen	D	—	—
Amoy Hongkong Haiphong	Szechuen		19.30	20.00
Kwangsi	Szechuen		19.30	20.00

* The night before.
A Parcel mail for S.S., F.M.S., Ceylon, India, Egypt, E-Soudan, Italy and other countries, closes at 16.00 on 22nd.
B Parcel mail for Netherlands India, closes at 12.00 on 23rd.
C Parcel mail for Honolulu, U.S.A., Canada and Europe, closes at 16.00 on 23rd.
D Parcel mail for Indo-China, closes at 16.00 on 24th.
X Provisional time—subject to alterations.
Y Superscribed correspondence.
Z Parcel mail only.

Ocean Mails for Europe and America.

Via Siberia by steamer to Tientsin or Chinwangtao for transmission.

Next steamer mails will be closed as follow:—

ss. Conte Biancamano, via Suez, February 23, due London March 22.
ss. Empress of Canada via Pacific, February 23, due London March 25.
ss. President Doumer, via Suez, February 27, due London March 30.

Air Mails

Imperial Airways Service (Hongkong-Bangkok-London and Hongkong-Bangkok-Singapore-Australia) per ss. Conte Biancamano, at 7.30 a.m. on Feb. 23, and due Bracciano, Italy, on March 5, and London on March 6.

Pan American Airways Service (Hongkong-San Francisco) per ss. Ruys, at 4 p.m. on February 26, and due San Francisco on March 8.

Neth. (K.L.M.) Air Mail Service (Bandoeng-Amsterdah) per ss. Conte Biancamano, at 7.30 on Feb. 23, and due Amsterdam on March 9, and London on March 10.

Royal Netherlands Indies' Airways K.N.I.L.M. (Saigon-Batavia-Sydney) per available steamer to Hongkong for Transmission to Saigon.

Air France (Hanoi-Marseilles) from Hongkong per available steamer to Hanoi every Saturday.

Shanghai-Japan Air Mail Service:—Air mails close daily at 8 p.m.

Domestic Air Mail

Air mails for Nanking per Shanghai-Nanking Air Line close daily at 12.00 (At Yuhang Road Sub-Office daily at 11.30 a.m.)

Air mails for Ningsia, Shensi, Szechwan, Yunnan, Kweichow, Hupeh (Shasi and west) and west thereof are to be forwarded to Hongkong for further transmission by the Hongkong-Chungking plane.

Train Mail

Light mails for or via Pengpu, Wuhu, N.S.R. and Lunghai (east of Chenghsien, Tungshan and Kaifeng) close daily, at 9.30 p.m. Express mails for Nanking and Chinkiang local close daily at 8.45 a.m.

Light mails for Kiangpei Offices west and north of Jukao via Chinkiang close daily at 9.30 p.m.

Light mails for or via Hangchow close daily at 9 a.m. and 9.30 p.m., for S.H.N.R. daily at 9 a.m.

Light mails for or via T.P.R. and north Pinghan close daily at 9.30 p.m.

Light mails for Hankow, Wuchang and Hangyang by occasional sailings direct to Hankow.

Light mails for or via River Ports beyond Nanchang per available steamer via Wenchow.

Vessels Discharging

BURGENLAND. From Hamburg, Bremen, Rotterdam, Antwerp, Genoa and via Ports.—This vessel is now discharging all her cargo, at the Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf, subject to the usual terms and conditions shown on the Wharf Tariff. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and take immediate delivery of their cargo. Consignees of "Bulk" cargo are further requested to send their representatives to the Wharf to verify the weights of such cargo whilst being landed. Damaged cargo will be examined at the Wharf on February 28, 1939, at 9.30 a.m., by the Surveyors, Tesdorff, Hannig & Co. No examination will be made after this date. All claims against this vessel must be sent in within fifteen days after the vessel's arrival. Claims sent in after this period will not be recognized. No Insurance will be effected. Hamburg-Amerika Linie Filiale Schanghai, No. 2 Canton Road. Tel. 18709. 23-2

PRES. DOUMER. From Marseilles via Ports with Cargo ex ss. "Chateau Pavie" arrived on Feb. 18, and is discharging her cargo at Hunt's Wharf, Shanghai. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for exchange of Delivery Orders and take immediate delivery of their cargo. All risk of fire at the Wharf and Godowns to be borne by consignees and claims against this steamer must be presented within 15 days of vessel's arrival or they will not be recognized. Damaged cargo will be examined in the presence of a Customs Officer on Friday, February 24, 1939, at 9 a.m. at the wharf by Messrs. Paulsen & Bayes-Davy. No Insurance effected. Cie des Messageries Maritimes. 23-2

Weather, Time and Tide

Wednesday, February 22, 1939 (4th day of 1st moon)	SICCAWEI February 20 16.00	February 20 21.00	February 21 4.00	February 21 9.00
Barometer inches	30.36	30.41	30.39	30.44
at 32 F. (variation for 24 hrs.)	+0.24	+0.29	+0.13	+0.08
at 32 F. („ „ 12 hrs.)	+0.10	+0.05	+0.03	+0.03
Wind (direction)	WNW	W	W	W
„ (miles per hour)	13.7	13.7	7.4	7.4
Temperature (Fahr.)	41.2°	37.6°	31.3°	38.8°
Humidity %	85	79	99	82
Nebulosity (0 to 10)	10	10	3	1
Rainfall inches	—	—	—	—

Siccawei Abridged Report February 21	Mean 1939	24 hrs. variation	66 years average
Barometer (mean 4 obs.)	30.35	+0.15	30.24
Temp. Min. 38.°5 Max. 42.6°	40.°5	—6.°6	40.°8
Total rainfall January 1 to midnight before last (inches)	3.76	0.08	36.0

Time and Tide	22/2	23/2	24/2	25/2	26/2
Sun rises at Shanghai	6.30	6.29	6.28	6.27	6.26
Sun sets at Shanghai	17.46	17.47	17.48	17.49	17.50
Moon rises at Shanghai	7.43	8.17	8.54	9.33	10.18
Moon sets at Shanghai	20.28	21.23	22.20	23.18	—
Flood makes Shai. 6 to 18	11.57	12.32	13.13	13.59	14.50
Ebb. makes Shai. 6 to 18	17.15	17.42	6.05	6.41	7.25
H.W. W'sung Bar 6 to 18	14.04	14.39	15.09	15.44	16.18
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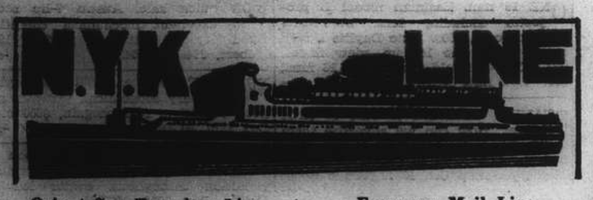

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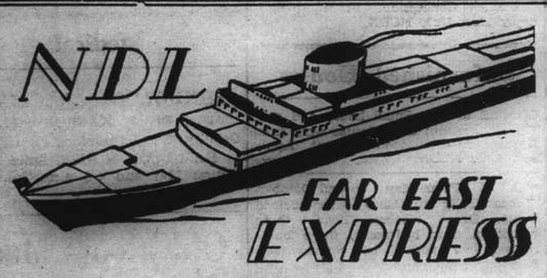

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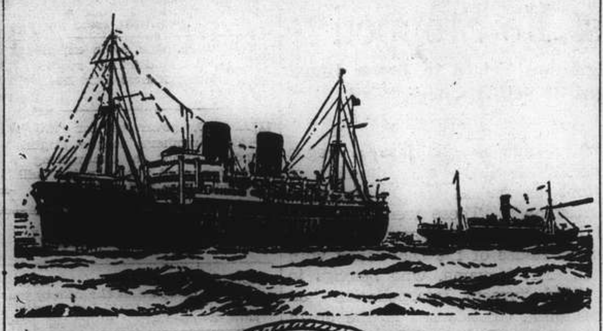

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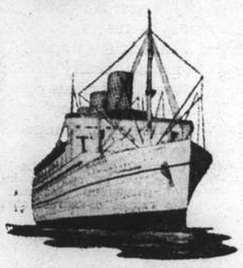

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Local Japanese Urge Drastic Action Against Terrorists

Journalists Pass Strong Resolution; Newspaper Advocates "Patriotic" March Across Creek

ADDING its voice to the growing chorus demanding a curb upon political terrorism in the International Settlement, the Japanese Journalists' Association of Shanghai, yesterday adopted a resolution urging the Japanese authorities to resort to "drastic measures" in dealing with the Shanghai Municipal Council. The Association, comprising among its membership all locally published Japanese newspapers, and Japanese newspapers and news agencies maintaining bureaux in Shanghai, held an emergency general meeting at its club rooms in the Pierce Apartments, Chapoo and Boone Roads, yesterday morning.

Copies of the resolution were handed by a delegation of the Association, consisting of bureau chiefs, to Vice-Admiral Koshiro Oikawa, commander-in-chief of the Japanese China Seas Fleet; Mr. Yoshiaki Miura, Consul-General; and to a local representative of Lieut.-Gen. Otozo Yamada, commander-in-chief of the Japanese Expeditionary Force to Central China.

The resolution read:—

"Whereas, the frequent terroristic outrages within the International Settlement have lately become increasingly violent, culminating on February 19 in the wounding of one of our co workers and a Japanese woman;

"Whereas, the Shanghai Municipal Council is displaying a total lack of good faith in maintaining peace and order within the International Settlement, in spite of repeated protests by the Japanese authorities, by permitting lawless anti-Japanese elements to operate freely in the International Settlement;

"Be it resolved, to urge our authorities to abandon their forbearance and execute a complete reform of the International Settlement by speedily adopting drastic measures designed to eliminate the causes of unrest at their source."

"Patriotism Unto Death"

If Japanese authorities remain irresolute in dealing with Concession and Settlement authorities in connection with the recurrence of terrorism here, patriotic Japanese should be banded together and march across Soochow Creek under a banner of "patriotism unto death," a Japanese contributor to the "Tairiku Shimpo" declared in a featured article yesterday.

Using the pseudonym, "A Hermit in a Lone Castle," the writer said: "While we feel extreme pity for those desperadoes who are digging their own graves by failing to understand the meaning of the peace that is dawning in the East, we cannot listen to any attempt to patch up responsibility by flowery terms and verbal eloquence."

The writer asserted that a report had been received from reliable quarters that a large number of organized terrorists had secretly entered the Settlement and Concession areas under instructions from Gen. Chiang Kai-shek.

Adding that the Shanghai Municipal Council and British Army authorities had been informed of the fact, the writer declared that "in spite of all this British Army and Settlement authorities have complacently overlooked the development of the situation."

Japanese Officials Criticized

"Whenever Settlement questions arise the Japanese officials have evaded a positive attitude; they repeat their favourite excuse that the 'Settlement question is a small question and still has a delicate bearing upon international relations.'"

The "Hermit" decried the manner in which the "Settlement question" was belittled and asserted that it was a major issue in China reconstruction plans. Unless the question was solved the establishment of a new order in East Asia would not be placed on the "right road to development," he said.

Japanese officials were urged by the "Hermit" to deal with the solution of the terrorist wave with frank discussions and to "invoke force as a last resort if Japan's sincerity is not appreciated."

"If Japanese authorities insist on being irresolute," he stated, "we have no choice but to band ourselves together under a banner of 'patriotism unto death.' Volunteers exalted by this cause will bravely march into the Settlement."

Attacks Increase

Japan's refusal to accede to the British, French and American requests for the reopening of the Yangtze River to general navigation was amply supported by the fact that Shanghai, metropolis of the Yangtze estuary, is infested by gangs of Kuomintang assassins and terrorists, the "Tairiku Shimpo" claimed yesterday in a scathing editorial.

Terrorism in Shanghai was sufficient proof of the conditions prevailing up the river and showed that Japan's action in closing it was warranted, the journal said.

"During the past year anti-Japanese terrorist crimes have occurred constantly, and in the past few days in particular not a single day has passed without shootings or hand grenade explosions or attacks on enlightened Chinese striving for the restoration of peace," the "Tairiku Shimpo" said.

"Terrorist acts have become more rampant and more malignant in the Settlement day by day."

Action Not Words

Japanese officials in the service of the Shanghai Municipal Police should start some "positive action" to deal with terrorism, the "Yangtze Hermit," a frequent contributor to the Japanese press, declared in an article in the "Shanghai Mainichi" yesterday. The Japanese Embassy and other official quarters in Shanghai are wasting time in "childish arguments" when the solution lies in the "will and the power to do," the "Hermit" said.

Terroristic attacks upon the lives of defenceless women are an "inhuman act of violence," the "Hermit" remarked in a bitter denunciation of the attempted murder of four Japanese on Nanking Road last Sunday afternoon.

All the terroristic acts which have taken place in the Settlement have been featured by certain characteristics, the "Hermit" claimed. He outlined them as follows:—

1. All the victims had Japanese connections in some way;

2. All the terroristic acts were well-planned, and were not casual incidents;

3. Constables were stationed nearby and knew what was happening but never approached the scenes of the crimes before the assailants had finished their "jobs" and left the scene.

British Blamed

Ignoring the fact that the murder took place in Japanese controlled territory and asserting that the assassination of Mr. Chen Loh, Minister of Foreign Affairs in the "Reformed Government," unmistakably took place within the defence area of the British army, the "Tairiku Shimpo" in a featured article yesterday, said that opinion was growing in "Reformed Government" circles to demand the withdrawal of British troops from the British defence sector.

British army authorities are trying to evade responsibility for the act by refusing to recognize the "Reformed Government," and declaring that they were not informed of Mr. Chen's arrival in Shanghai, the daily remarked.

Notwithstanding non-recognition of the "Reformed Government," it should be a matter of course that special attention should be paid to protecting a man who occupies the important position of the Foreign Minister, the journal continued.

Chungking Peoples Congress Closes

Reports on Various Affairs Given by Ministers; Help To China by Britain, U.S.

Chungking, Feb. 21.

"Britain, America and other friendly Powers sympathetic to Chinese resistance, are giving China material assistance," Dr. H. H. Kung, President of the Executive Yuan and Minister of Finance, is reported to have declared before the Peoples Congress here.

In his financial report, Dr. Kung gave particulars and figures, and emphasized China's sound financial position.

After hearing reports on political, military, financial, foreign, educational and economic affairs, and also after adopting several important resolutions, the National Peoples Congress closed today.

Among the resolutions adopted by Congress were:—

Organization in Szechuen and Sikong of a reconstruction and inspection party;

Organization of a special committee to examine if the recommendations made by the First and Second Sessions of the Congress have already been carried out;

To strengthen anti-air defences in important cities in the interior, and also in important industrial and cultural centres;

Organization of Mongolians, Tibetians, Mohammedans and the Miaos to strengthen the northwest and southwest defences;

That the Government should be urged to ask the Post Office to arrange remittance facilities in all parts of the country, and also to appropriate funds for the introduction of factory and war insurance;

That the Government should be urged to pay particular attention to the education of Mongolians, Mohammedans and Tibetans, and also to assist mass education, so as to eliminate illiteracy.—Reuter.

Inmate Disappears from Lone Battalion Camp

Mystery Unsolved as Way Of Escape Unknown

Private Shao Kung-Kyi, 22, one of soldiers of the Lone Battalion, interned at a special camp off Kiaochow Road on Singapore Road, mysteriously disappeared, during the night from Monday to yesterday, his absence being discovered yesterday morning at the usual roll call. A search throughout the camp was immediately commenced but no trace of him could be found. It was furthermore established that he definitely did not pass any of the many sentries of the Russian Regiment, Shanghai Volunteer Corps, which surround the camp.

Detectives from Gordon Road station which were called in to solve the mystery were puzzled, as the camp is believed to be escape-proof and as it was reasoned that if he was able to make his escape over the eight foot wall surrounding the camp, which has barbed wire on the top, at least traces of blood or rags of his clothing, would have been found, and this was not the case, whilst a close scrutiny of the barbed wire, revealed not the slightest clue as to where he may have passed, if at all.

One of the places where he might have landed, if, as seems to be the case, he managed to make his escape over the wall, was the Kiaochow Road Park, but the watchmen on duty there said that they had seen no-one. Meanwhile, police stations in the Settlement and the Concession have all been given a description of the soldier and are on the lookout for him but it is doubtful as to whether he will ever be found, it being felt that he will find safe refuge practically in any Chinese home, as members of the Battalion are considered national heroes, after their siege in a Chinese owned godown, Chapei, along Soochow Creek.

Last summer considerable difficulties were experienced in keeping the inmates of the camp under the strict discipline imposed on them and, over the question of flying the Chinese national flag on the anniversary of the outbreak of local hostilities, a fight ensued between the inmates and the Russian soldiers, resulting in a large number of them being injured, whilst two or three died of their wounds.

Ichang Said Badly Bombed

Chungking, Feb. 21.

An unconfirmed report states that Ichang was severely bombed today by Japanese planes.

This would make the first time that the city itself has been bombed, as Japanese planes previously have only bombed the river front.—Reuter.

Commons Query on Libyan Forces

British Government Satisfied Rome Pact Being Carried Out

London, Feb. 20.

The Italian Government is sending 30,000 more troops to Libya, announced Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, at question time in the House of Commons today.

Mr. Butler said that the British Government would, in future, be informed of these troop movements, in accordance with the terms of the Anglo-Italian Agreement, which stipulated the exchange of military information between the two countries.

The British Ambassador in Rome, Mr. Butler went on, had been informed by the Italian Government that the increase was to "provide for the security of Libya."

Replying to a supplementary question, Mr. Butler said he did not regard this increase in the strength of the Italian troops in Libya as a breach of the Anglo-Italian Agreement. He agreed, however, that the strength of the Libyan garrison would be almost exactly the same as when the Anglo-Italian Agreement was signed.

In replying to a subsequent question, Mr. Butler said that the British Government was satisfied that the provisions of the agreement between Great Britain and Italy, whereby the Italian Government undertook not to secure political advantage in Saudi Arabia and Yemen, were being carried out.—Reuter.

Italians Arrested

Djibouti, Feb. 20.

Several Italians and natives are reported to have been arrested here on charges of espionage. Further arrests, it is understood, are expected.—Reuter.

Arrests in Tunis

Paris, Feb. 20.

It is reported in well-informed quarters that a number of natives and Italians were today arrested in Tunis.—Reuter.

Britain's Vast Arms Financing Revealed

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sion should be made for those who would have to remain and carry on the production of the country. He hoped that the House of Commons would be assured that the Government was not afraid to ask for means of constructing deep bomb-proof shelters.

The Labour Party, Mr. Dalton went on, had no reason to feel any confidence in the Government's plan for defence.

It was said, he continued, that there had been increased production, but he felt that there had been no real or substantial improvement since last September, "when disgraceful revelations were made regarding the equipment for defence services."

Sir Hugh Seeley, Liberal member for the Berwick-on-Tweed division of Northumberland, speaking on behalf of the Liberal Opposition, said: "Do not let us blink our eyes to the fact that all this money is being spent because of the German menace. If we are going to spend this money, let us see to it that we have defence if the menace comes."

The question of an expeditionary force, he continued, was bound to be a very large one.

"We are faced," he declared, "with a more serious situation in many ways than before the war as regards land forces, because we know that the German peace army is about 1,000,000 men.

"In spite of the enormous sums being spent in this country, we are faced with the big question as to whether we are going to have an army to work in conjunction with a continental army abroad."

Sir Hugh Seeley did not think that a continuation of piling up armaments would bring the fullest possible security and that something more had to be achieved on the lines of collective security.

General Approval Voiced

Sir John Simon's statement of the manner in which it was proposed to raise defence expenditure was welcomed by all sides in the lobbies.

Many accepted it as a confirmation of the view that there would be no increase in income tax in the coming year.

It is pointed out that in the coming year it was only proposed to raise £230,000,000 by revenue as compared with £274,000,000 this year. On the other hand, the belief is held that the Chancellor only budgeted this amount because he might have found himself with a declining revenue owing to a decrease in profits in undertakings other than those dealing with rearmament.

The opinion is also expressed that the coming budget would provide a further tightening up of tax collection, while any gaps in revenue could be filled by the imposition of minor taxes.—Reuter.

Merchant Ships Fitted To Combat Pirates

Japanese Retain Customs Preventive Cruisers

Two merchant vessels detained by the Japanese have been given to the Customs authorities so that they may transform them into piracy and smuggling prevention cruisers, but more than ten Customs cruisers themselves are still being detained, according to Chinese reports.

Negotiations between the Customs authorities and Japanese military for the return of the cruisers have failed but repeated representations have caused the Japanese to give up two merchant steamers formerly belonging to foreign shipping interests to satisfy the wish of the Customs authorities, it is stated.

Some of the detained Customs cruisers are said to have been transformed into transports and armed to suit the purpose of the Japanese military. Because of this, the Japanese have refused to return them to the Customs, but the many piracies reported during the past few months have forced the Customs authorities to tighten their preventive regulations. The Japanese authorities have finally been persuaded to give up two merchant vessels for the purpose.

The two vessels are anchored at Pootung and are being refitted to suit the purpose of the Customs. The two steamers are known as the Yar Sen and Wan Li.

Japanese Premier Says S'hai Terrorism Must Be Stopped

Japanese Indignation Voiced in Lower House Of Diet; "Right of Self-Defence" Cited

Tokyo, Feb. 21.

"IS there no sign that Chiang regime assassins are in league with the S.M.C. authorities? Is there any intention of expanding mopping-up operations as far as the International Settlement and the French Concession?" These were two of a dozen pointed questions asked by Mr. Tanizo Koyama, veteran M.P. from Wakayam, in the Lower House of the Diet today with regard to terrorism in Shanghai. Mr. Koyama, who belongs to the Minseito Party, was permitted "urgent interpellation" on Shanghai, and he expressed "profound condolence" at the death of Mr. Chen Loh, Foreign Minister of the "Reformed Government," who was shot dead late on the night of February 19 just outside the International Settlement, in Japanese-controlled territory.

Questions posed by Mr. Koyama included, "are the S.M.C. authorities incapable of preserving order, or, if they are capable, are they insincere? Is there no sign that Chiang regime assassins are in league with the S.M.C. authorities? If treaties and laws are causing hesitation, does not the right of self-defence over-ride treaties, and is there no intention of carrying out the right of self-defence? Is there any intention of expanding mopping-up operations as far as the International Settlement and the French Concession?"

Summarized briefly, the reply given by the Japanese Premier, Baron Keiichi Hiranuma, was that the frequency of terroristic demonstrations in the International Settlement, which had hitherto been considered as a "safety zone," had begun to give the impression that it was nothing more than a "base for terroristic activities of lawless elements." Such being the case, the Premier declared, the problem of measures for the insurance of peace and order in China must be fundamentally reconsidered.

"We cannot overlook secret activities," the Premier continued, "carried on in the International International Settlement by the Chiang regime, and the Communist Party. Our Government has sent instructions to the authorities on the spot to take appropriate and effective measures. As for the right of self-defence, nothing can prevent its exercise."

Demarche by Consul-General

The Foreign Minister, Mr. Hachiro Arita, declared that the Government had "hitherto watched with deep attention the development of the situation in the International Settlement."

In this connection, he added, the Japanese Consul-General in Shanghai, Mr. Y. Miura, had on February 10 requested the French Concession and International Settlement authorities strictly to control lawless and radical elements, and fundamental measures must be taken for the insurance of law and order, unless the situation improved.

The Navy Minister, Admiral Mitsumasa Yonai, stated that there was a feeling that it was urgently necessary to effect a radical improvement in the preservation of peace in the International Settlement in the future. "I am desirous," he declared, "of taking most effective measures for that purpose."

S.M.C. "Lack Sincerity"

Admiral Yonai gave it as his opinion that the Shanghai Municipal Council "show a lack of sincerity, and if matters are allowed to continue like this, I am convinced of the necessity of taking effective measures for self-defence."

The Minseito and Seiyukai parties, according to Japanese sources, are much concerned over the alleged rampancy of terrorism in Shanghai.

Diet circles are reported to be in favour of the employment of force for the subjugation of all anti-Japanese terrorist elements in the International Settlement.

The Japanese press continues to express great indignation over the situation in Shanghai.

The "Nichi Nichi Shimbun," for instance, urges the exercise of the right of self-defence on the newly-formed Nanking Government, and the Japanese Government, in order to suppress alleged lawless elements in the Settlement and French Concession. These elements, it is charged, are staging terroristic demonstrations against the Japanese, and against pro-Japanese Chinese, with impunity.—Reuter.

Japanese Army May Use Force Here

Tokyo, Feb. 21.

A Japanese Army conference in Shanghai has decided to employ force, if necessary, in order to "purge the International Settlement of anti-Japanese terrorists." This is reported by the "Asahi Shimbun" in its issue today.—Reuter.

Convened in an extraordinary meeting, the Shanghai Japanese Emergency Committee, comprising community leaders, yesterday at noon discussed the situation here with special emphasis on the menace of political terrorists against Japanese civilians, the "Shanghai Mainichi" reported yesterday evening. Attending the meeting held at the Japanese Club, Boone Road, was Mr. Yoshiaki Miura, Japanese Consul-General, the paper said.

Syrians May Revolt For Independence

Failure to Ratify Pact Brings Serious Unrest

London, Feb. 20.

Demonstrations and riots have broken out in many Syrian towns following the resignation of the Government and hundreds of demonstrators and police were injured or wounded over the week-end, the "Daily Herald" reported today.

A secret Syrian radio station was reported to have broadcast orders for rebel leaders to begin distributing arms and ammunition in Aleppo, Damascus and Lattaka in preparation for a simultaneous uprising. Syrians were asked to emulate the revolt in Palestine and were promised victory over France.

The Government resigned last week following failure to ratify the treaty giving independence from France in 1940. Syria has been a French protectorate since the Great War.—United Press.

Opium Dens Flourish in Western Badlands

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In January 1939 the Opium Smuggling Prevention Corps was established by the Japanese authorities under the auspices of a Mr. Kitaoka, Japanese Adviser to the "Shanghai City Government" in the Jessfield Area. An office is located at Lane 61, House 21, Kinnear Road. This corps is composed of two sections, one dealing with cases in which Japanese and Korean smugglers are involved and the other in cases where Chinese are concerned. Needless to say the expenses of this Corps are defrayed with the monthly fees collected from each opium hong.

A similar organization called the "General Opium Suppression Bureau" was formed about the end of December, with offices located on the 5th Floor of the Broadway Mansions, North Soochow Road, for the purpose of putting into operation a general opium monopoly scheme, embracing the provinces of Kiangsu, Chekiang and Anhwei. Full details of the actions of this body are not known but there is little doubt that it was formed with the intention of collecting money with which to defray military expenses.

Early in August it was decided to establish an "Opium Monopoly Bureau" in the Western district and plans were made accordingly to lease premises at Nos. 6, 7, and 70, Lane 536 Hsing Kong Li, Connaught Road, to be used as a godown to store huge quantities of the drug. So far as is known, however, the proposed "Bureau" has not yet begun to function.

Addresses of Opium Hongs

Below is a list of 34 known opium dens known to be flourishing in the Japanese-controlled Western district:

Tai Shing, No. 6 Ding Nyieh Li, Brenan Road.
Zung Yah Kee, No. 52 Kong Foh Li, Brenan Road.
Yah Chong, No. 4 Kong Foh Li, Brenan Road.
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Shing Chong, No. 6 Sing Kong Li, Connaught Road.
Lao Tai Chong, No. 7 Sing Kong Li, Connaught Road.
Heng Chong, No. 16 Sing Kong Li, Connaught Road.
Nanchang, No. 70 Sing Kong Li, Connaught Road.
Lao Chi Chong, No. 72 Sing Kong Li, Connaught Road.
Dah Loong, No. 76 Sing Kong Li, Connaught Road.
Yah Zung, No. 24 Sing Kong Li, Connaught Road.
Yah Foong, No. 5 Yung Ding Li, Jessfield Road.
Ching Sing, No. 72 Zung Zuen Li, Jessfied Road.
Doong Zung Foong, No. 80 Sing Kong Li, Connaught Road.
Unnamed, No. 8 Zung Zuen Li, Jessfield Road.
Lao Heng Foong, No. 81 Sing Kong Li, Connaught Road.
Unnamed, No. 96 Sing Kong Li, Connaught Road.
Huh Foong, No. 97 Sing Kong Li, Connaught Road.
Kung Yik, No. 10 Sing Kong Li, Connaught Road.
Huh Kee Kung, No. 54 Sing Kong Li, Connaught Road.
Hoong Chong, No. 4 Sing Kong Li, Connaught Road.
Unnamed, No. 5 Sing Kong Li, Connaught Road.
Kwang Yuen Mou, No. 18 Sing Kong Li, Connaught Road.
Shing Kee, No. 78 Sing Kong Li, Connaught Road.
Zung Foong, No. 23 Sing Kong Li, Connaught Road.
Yu Chong, No. 25 Sing Kong Li, Connaught Road.
Lao Yah Shing, No. 26 Sing Kong Li, Connaught Road.
Kung Chong, No. 33 Sing Kong Li, Connaught Road.
Unnamed, No. 53 Sing Kong Li, Connaught Road.
Doong Yah Kung, No. 63 Sing Kong Li, Connaught Road.
Lao Huh Chong, No. 68 Sing Kong Li, Connaught Road.
Sing Chong, No. 14 Zung Zuen Li, Jessfield Road.
Huh Foong, No. 12 Kong Foh Li, Brenan Road.
Unnamed, No. 3 Zung Woo Li, Brenan Road.

Japan Fails to Aid Drug Control

U.S. Congress Informed of Lack of Support

Washington, Feb. 20.

Japan has failed to co-operate with the United States in efforts to curb the activities of international dope smugglers, according to a report sent to Congress today by Mr. J. H. Anslinger, head of the Treasury Department Narcotics Bureau.

Mr. Anslinger reported that Japanese police arrested many persons responsible for illicit drug shipments to the United States, "but they get off with a sentence of only two months which is nothing but a vacation."

Referring to conditions in Japanese occupied areas of China, the report said "the situation in areas under Japanese control is becoming increasingly worse." The report indicated that Japan was using dope as an instrument of policy in attempting to break Chinese resistance to Japanese military invasion.—United Press.

Sir Reginald Ford Resigns

London, Feb. 21.

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